

it looks to me like in this particular amendment, well, he is listening to those people behind the glass. So I will have an amendment in a little while to this amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hefner. Senator Crosby.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam President, and members, Senator Hall, I just have a couple of quick questions because when you mention in the generation...in the utility sales tax you use that word "generation", you mean the power companies?

SENATOR HALL: Generators. I'm sorry if I...

SENATOR CROSBY: Oh, all right, I'm sorry.

SENATOR HALL: ...I slurred my words.

SENATOR CROSBY: So "ors", that's where I was confused. The other thing, quickly, do you have any idea about hospitals, how much...hospital, it concerns me that we're going to tax hospitals. Do they usually weigh more than a 100,000 in your research? Did you have some ques...did you have some figures on that?

SENATOR HALL: Even...even if it were a \$100,000, Senator Crosby, I know, for example, St. E's down here in Lincoln, for example, last year had a profit of over \$5 million, whereas one of the...

SENATOR CROSBY: On utilities?

SENATOR HALL: No, just a profit in general on their...

SENATOR CROSBY: Whole profit.

SENATOR HALL: ...operation.

SENATOR CROSBY: Excuse me. All right. Okay.

SENATOR HALL: So, I mean, frankly, I don't have a problem with taxing them on utilities.

SENATOR CROSBY: So you figure they're profit-making so there's no difference. I want to under...I want to understand, too, Tim, because I don't know all the sections and I went through