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SENATOR ROBAK: You think you would do that. You would vote for it.

SENATOR HALL: I don't think, I know I would.

SENATOR ROBAK: You would vote for a sales increase for yourself?

SENATOR HALL: If it means I'm going to pay to have my shirts laundered and I'm going to irritate Pete Row at the cleaners where I pick up because now he's, instead of charging me a \$1.10, he's going to have to charge me \$1.17 or \$1.20 because he'll probably round it off, sure I would.

SENATOR ROBAK: I'm glad you feel that way because I feel that some day the average taxpayer is going to figure this whole thing out for himself and he isn't going to need 49 senators to tell him which is the fair way, he's going to look at his tax return and figure it out and he's going to go in the ballot box and he's going to vote not for a tax increase for himself. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Robak. Senator Lamb. Senator Morrissey.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Madam President and members, I'd rise to oppose Senator Hall's amendment. I agree with the basic concepts of LB 1120 and if we're worried about what the taxpayers will think later, that's why I'm supporting 1120. I talked to a lot of the people in my district and they said let's just quit talking rural, let's quit talking urban, let's talk what's fair. And I'll tell you, folks, down there fair to them is those that make it, pay it and that equates to income and sales. That's farmers, that's business people, that's wage earners including myself who would pay more under a system like this and that is exactly what I am hearing. Don't do inventory, we can't stand inventory, let's do income and sales, expand the base, that is the most fair. If you're making it, you're paying it. They're concerned on removing the uniformity clause as it applies to personal property because once you take the uniformity clause away from the personal property, the people that will be setting the tax policy in this body are having the most influence on a tax policy are those that have the most influence in the lobby and who is that? Is that southeast Nebraska? Is that the farmers and small business people of