

religious charitables, cemetery purposes, household goods, personal effects, those are all in Section 2. If Section 2 doesn't work or is no longer applicable in the State of Nebraska, those things are gone as well. But yet the question you have to look at and one that I would agree that I don't think you have to change the Constitution, probably in this court's definition you probably do, but those that want to argue reading the Constitution literally, look at the line in there that says the Legislature may classify personal property in such a manner as it sees fit. Maybe we haven't done a very good job of that but then it goes on to say, or may exempt all personal property from taxation. That's what it says in the Constitution, very clearly. Now many have said, well, I mean, give me a legal scholar that says that. I'm certainly not. Everyone knows that very clearly. But, you know, one thing you can look at is the brief. You know, I requested an Attorney General's Opinion saying, can we exempt all personal property constitutionally? And the Attorney General has responded, well, that's in litigation and I can't answer that question. If you want to read a good argument as to how you can, read the brief filed by the Attorney General in that argument. Now, some will say the Attorney General has to do that, but read it anyway. It's still a very good argument as to why this body with 25 votes can exempt all personal property from taxation and take care of our problem.

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR MOORE: And as far as the motor vehicles, Senator Hall is absolutely right, you can...if that's what you want to do, you can solve that problem via the Conway bill or the Hall bill. And so you can exempt it all, we can make tax policy with 25 votes, not with 40, and get out of here. We don't know that's the case, obviously, and, yes, in this court maybe you can't do that but we will know with the Jaksha case. But one last thing is look at the ballot language, in 1970, and what did it say? It said the electorate shall vote for or against, in quotations, "the constitutional amendment providing that the Legislature may classify personal property and may exempt any such classes or all personal property from taxation." That's what they voted on in 1970. That was the language in the ballot question that they voted on that we may exempt it all. And it's incredible...this is quoting from the AG's brief, it is incredible to suggest that the voters, by adopting this amendment, did not understand and intend that the amendment