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take sales tax off of business machinery. But, as a farmer, I own a lot of pieces of equipment and so do my constituents that we use 30 days out of the year. The rest of the...the rest of the year they're parked. If you own a business in town, you're using your machinery year around. But so much of our machinery is seasonal. How many days out of the year do you use a combine? Forty-five max, maybe. A planter, three weeks. But yet you have got that investment for the year around. And so I would guess I would ask for some considerations on these two items. I don't know how I'm going to vote on 1063. Any farmer I talk to out there, personal property tax is very repugnant to them. But I know the alternative, so we've got this axe hanging over our neck and I remember the cartoon in Senator Conway's office last year. Remember the turkeys with all the...with the axe? Well, that axe is still hanging over my neck on property taxes. So...so I'm going to be interested to see how this turns out. And there are some issues here that are very important to me. So I hope that if 1069 (sic) is brought out that we do some changing on it.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Before we go to the next speaker, I would like to make some introductions. Senator Byars has the doctor of the day, Dr. Weldon, here from Beatrice. If he would stand and be recognized by the body, please. Also, under the south balcony is guests of Senator Byars as well, is John Moore, Dennis Schroeder and Gordon Michaelis. Will they please stand, please. And as guests of Senator Robinson we have Ed and Shirley Morrow of Tekamah. We will now go to our next speaker, Senator Morrissey.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, I initially pressed my button to discuss what Senator Moore had discussed, because when I read in the paper some comments it sort of irritated me, because you can talk about I'm standing up for the little guy, I'm standing up for the working stiff, I'm standing up for the farmer, I'm standing up for the regular old homeowners taxpayer. And we can argue that forever. But when I stand up and say it I'm not going to indicate necessarily that the people supporting another plan are not trying to do the same thing. I think we're all trying to do that, we just have very different visions of what we're...how we accomplish that. I know where Senator Lynch is coming from. I talked to Senator Lynch. I know who he is trying to protect, who he is trying to represent. And I know who I'm trying to protect. They're both the average working class person. We just have very different