

come along and say, well, I will figure out some way to get that out of receipts. He won't do that. Each one of us would have to come up with a little more money, and I think that would happen in a lot of things. The other thing I think, since this is aimed at schools, the school districts, and money for elementary and secondary schools, oh, what a difference that would make in Lancaster County if this actually happened and it paid for the schools and property owners would be relieved of that. It would go, 65 percent or more. But I don't see how we can hold that promise out to homeowners right now because this actually...this concept has not been given the light of day with...I think school districts, everyone has to be involved in coming up with the real answer and the real plan that would make this idea work. So I won't support it today but I do think that...I have one quick question, if I have enough time. Senator Elmer, are you back there? This is just a little...one little question, for instance, if an employee is paying money into a retirement fund, is that a transaction that would have this half percent?

SENATOR ELMER: Senator Crosby, it would not be. Would not be, because...and the question you asked about a church. You make a donation to the church, the church didn't sell you anything tangible, so that would not have a tax. Only the income from investments that a church may have would be subject to the 1/2 of 1 percent.

SENATOR CROSBY: We still might get that special collection. At any rate, the other thing I wanted to know is that, for instance, schools get other income. That would stay in place, right?

SENATOR ELMER: The schools that...

SENATOR CROSBY: I mean from fines and that kind of thing.

SENATOR ELMER: ...yes. We are talking only about the portion of the property tax that is paying for the operation of the school. And you realize under this, 1059 is abolished...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR ELMER: ...because it is no longer needed.

SENATOR CROSBY: That was my last question. Okay, thank