

some discussion relative to the CA in terms of the uniformity clause. I remember sitting in this body not all that long ago discussing another CA on ag land valuation. And we, at that point the uniformity clause just had to go out relative to ag land valuation, because there was no other way to put that in that category. I argued against that from the day it started, and never did support that particular amendment. And now all of a sudden some of the same people are discussing, well, now uniformity is our protective device, because it happens to be applied at a different aspect of the process. But with that I rise and hope the body will not indefinitely postpone LB 1063.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Conway. Senator Hefner. I will give the speaking order now. Senator Hefner, Warner, Schellpeper, Elmer, Wehrbein, Schmit, and Landis. Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Madam President and members of the body, I rise to support the kill motion on LB 1063. And I want to tell you a couple reasons why. The first reason is because LB 1063 moves us in the wrong direction. A lot of us talk about we need to remove some of the burden on property, when it comes to taxes. So what we need to do is use a little more sales and a little more income tax to do this. But this here bill, LB 1063, adds back the personal property that has been exempt for a number of years. It adds back farm machinery, it adds back breeding livestock, and so I think that it goes a long way...the wrong way. I would personally like to see about a third property tax, a third sales tax, and a third income tax for the support of local and state government. I think this would be a lot better. And I think that the majority of the legislators here would like to see that way. And I realize that we have a problem when we come to distributing that sales and income tax back to the local districts, to the local subdivisions. And I realize that's the problem. But we are working towards a solution to that. LB 1059 was one of those, and I'll admit it wasn't a perfect bill, but I think it turned us in the right direction. I like LB 1120 because this removes all personal property from the tax rolls. I would like to see a slight increase, half a percent increase in sales tax, and a like amount in income tax, and reimburse that back to local government for the amount that is lost by local government. Could I have a gavel, please.

PRESIDENT MOUL: (Gavel.)