

SENATOR HEFNER: Thank you, thank you. The other day I had an amendment to remove breeding livestock, and I...there was some senator said, well Senator Hefner, you're really going to open a big hole. Well, what about the exemptions on LB 775? We've got that whole layer already. So I don't think we'd be opening another hole with that. But I still think we need to remove breeding livestock from this bill, if we don't kill the bill, because a lot of the young dairy farmers are having to struggle out there. And they're depreciating, or most of them are depreciating their dairy herd. And so this would...this takes...this puts a lot of pressure on them. And let's talk about 1059 a little bit. As I understand it, and Senator Haberman spelled this out, that as we increased the values in these school districts, the aid from 1059 would go down. And, Senator Withem, maybe you can talk about that a little bit when you have a chance to talk or, Senator Warner, maybe you could address that. I'd like to hear more about that. How much state aid would a school district lose that's in a predominantly rural area? Also, we talked about the state depreciation schedule. Now if we have to go with that, I think it needs to be amended, because it would create a hardship...

PRE SIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR HEFNER: ...to those...to those farmers that have depreciated out some of their equipment, because that means that they'd have to put it back on again, and I think this would be unfair. I also think that the 3-R Committee was stacked last year. And there was only three senators that voted to go ahead with this, three senators, and now we have it before us. So I don't think that was quite fair. And if we think that we're going to tax the railroads, I think we...I think we're way wrong, because I don't think that the railroads will pay any more personal property tax in Nebraska, it's just that simple. They are protected by the 4-R Act, the federal 4-R Act, and so I don't think we're going to get them on the tax rolls anyway. So, with that, I just urge you to support the kill motion.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hefner. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I'd like to comment briefly. Senator Hefner asked a couple of comments on 1059, to answer, Senator, under the state aid formula a school district that does not receive equalization aid, nor some under 10...under either bill, either 1120 or