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would not start to use at this point at this late hour, at this late date. I would urge that the motion be defeated.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Madam President, members of the body, the one thing about this that wasn't debated at any great length through any of the stages of debate was simply the fact that for all good and noble cause as a tax increase, it's still a tax increase. It's still a tax increase and I think that Senator Wickersham is attempting to point that out to us at this time prior to the final vote. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Madam Chairman, members, I received a number of phone calls on this bill and a few people said, you know, what good does that do to the rural areas of Nebraska? We ought to be more worried about some other problems and without trying to make a rural-urban issue out of this one, it's very apparent and I know that Senator Chambers over the years and Senator Chizek and others from the urban areas have called attention to the fact that we're seeing more of this problem today in the rural areas than we have seen in a long, long time and it's very easy for us to orient this problem toward the larger communities. But as our population becomes more heterogeneous and as we become more mobile we're going to find additional problems like this in the rural communities and so while I've never spoken on this bill before, I support the bill and I support Senator Lindsay and I oppose the motion to return.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Does anyone else wish to speak to this motion? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Wickersham?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Madam President, I would withdraw the motion.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The motion is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, are there further motions?

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: We'll proceed with Final Reading on LB 1192.