

are living on what they have left that their husbands and they accumulated during their lifetime and so then their savings and any little stock they have or whatever are going to back in and be taxed. So, until the end, I'm going to be aware of that and try to do the right thing by the individuals that I know and all the people that...not just...

SENATOR WARNER: One minute.

SENATOR CROSBY: ...in my own district, it's all across the State of Nebraska that we have all of these same problems. And I had a call last week again about the spousal impoverishment statute, another couple who is having problems because the wife is in the nursing home with Alzheimer's, if they spend down, they have to do certain things to try to get the assistance. So, you see, every time we do something like this it seems to me we hurt people like that. So when I vote one way or the other it's because I'm trying to think of the individuals, as I said again this morning, people pay the taxes. So let's keep that in mind and try to do the right thing as we go along. Thanks a lot, Senator Hall, for all your answers.

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Nelson, followed by Senator Schmit.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, Senator Crosby, I have the very same concerns as you do that person that is unable to recover probably any additional income, I put it in the same thing as the farmer. The farmer doesn't get anymore out of his grain whether or not we put a tax on it or not. Another group of people that I have a very big concern for and that's that young family with three or four young children. It's mighty, mighty tough for them in a lot of situations, be it young farmers or young people that are working in the city or holding two or three jobs. So I don't want to base my vote on just one classification of people. My vote, hopefully, is...is a vote for all of the people and the fairness of the people, because if that's the case, then our vote is not a fair vote and it is...it is guided not towards all of the people. So I would hope that people take that in consideration. I don't know how many people have sat down here and right now put a pencil to it, putting the grain back on the tax roll adds about 4 1/2 cents a bushel. And that's a big little chunk of that income that there is no way to increase it to cover that expense. It's a little different than the price of a new car, so what, I will add it on, someone else pays that. So I do want them to...I do want you to realize that