

to do that than for ConAgra to come waltzing in here and intimidate everyone and tell us what they want. My school districts don't do well by putting all the property back on. The money that Lincoln would gather through a change doesn't even come close, percentage wise to what we have to eat down there. So I would hope I could talk to the Lincoln senators, which I have been able to in the past, and say, this is fair. I'm doing something now, I'm swallowing something that I don't necessarily...I'm not real comfortable with,...

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: ...but I have faith in the body that we can come back in the future. Now if that faith is misplaced, then the people are lost anyway. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Morrissey. Senator Lamb, did you wish to address the Beutler amendment? I don't see Senator Lamb. Senator Warner, did you wish to address the Beutler amendment. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I don't have a problem, in some respects, with what Senator Beutler is trying to do. And it has no relationship at all to the concern I have to the issue of personal property tax that we're dealing with. The issue with me, that I am...am, well there's a second one, too. But the main issue is how much power should the Legislature give to the executive branch of government. By moving to 33 votes for an override of a 30-vote amendment, then gives even additional power to the executive branch of government. We've done just the reverse on the third branch of government, the judicial branch. It certainly comes up from time to time, but the Constitution requires a super majority of our Supreme Court, five of the seven to declare an act unconstitutional. And yet, if we do this, we will give a...require a super majority of the Legislature, over and above even 30 votes, to overpower the executive branch. And I would be reluctant to do it. The other thing...some reluctance. If, in fact, we were going to do this, then I would think it also ought to apply on the budget side, which is already in existence, where there is a 30-vote requirement for the expenditure of funds for a program that was in existence at the time the Legislature convened. And some of you who have been here a while can recall that from time to time, not frequently, there have been A bills that, as was indicated, require