

support, even in an election year, a complete overhaul of the tax system next year, even in an election year. It will be tough. It will be real tough. It won't be easy, but that is what we are here for. That's what we are here for. And as I said...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: ...earlier, if we can't trust each other, all is lost anyway. The rural area is lost. If we can't trust some of the urban senators, all is already lost, so you'd better start trusting each other. I would like to quickly read something, a Dorchester farmer was quoted, Tom Weber, in the Lincoln paper. He said, "I really believe that the Legislature deep down inside is looking for an equitable system, and this is why I am so concerned that we don't get caught up in an urban-rural split." He is a farmer saying it is going to happen. I think they are working to do the right thing. We just have got to trust each other and do it, otherwise, it is too late already. Thank you. Support Senator Chambers amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Morrissey. Senator Bernard-Stevens, do you wish to speak to the amendment?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yes, Madam President. I rise to oppose the amendment, but I want to say a couple of comments I think on...over the whole concept in general of the Lindsay amendment as proposed, and the Chambers amendment at this particular point. I wish Senator Ashford was here, I don't know if he is or not, but it was interesting because, see, Senator Ashford I know and Brad is a good friend of mine, but it is funny to me in a way, just a couple of days ago we had Senator Ashford giving an impassioned thing if we don't pass the constitutional amendment we should all resign. Well, I assume he has got his letter ready to go now, but I also am assuming that that was not...what we heard just a few minutes ago was not really Brad Ashford, that was the ghost of revenue past trying to be still the ghost of revenue present and future because I was at the Omaha and Lincoln meetings and I heard the ghost of revenue past, and I heard that same ghost speaking for Senator Ashford. I believe Senator Ashford is still the person who thinks we should do the constitutional amendment or resign. It is real frustrating at some point to see the dynamics of what is being played out in the lobby, and how quickly people are