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body has met that challenge in a manner at least that will help get this whole tax issue behind us and give some stability, within a reasonable time, that the state is entitled to.

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

SENATOR SCHMIT: Madam President and members, I guess I go back again yesterday, and I think it's fitting that we discuss this a little because we talk about averages. The problem is, and Senator Warner agreed with me before the session ever started, that we don't pay taxes by averages. I can't help but reminisce just a wee bit about the amendment I offered yesterday. An individual showed me his tax statement, about a 1200 percent increase on a little dehy plant, and there are about 21 or 22 of those that are still in existence. And we got 21 votes to adopt that amendment. After we had the discussion on the floor as to whether or not they would have a significant fiscal impact, a young man from the department came to me said, Senator, perhaps I made an error. He said, what I really meant was that there was no significant fiscal impact upon the bill. That is considerably different, ladies and gentlemen, than to say we can't determine the fiscal impact. I'm not faulting the young lad, I'm just pointing out that had we stood on this floor yesterday, Senator Schrock, and said there's no significant fiscal impact, I think even Senator Hall would have viewed the proposal differently. The amazing thing that I cannot reconcile is that notwithstanding the fact that even Senator Hall said at the outside it wouldn't be over a \$500,000 impact and I think, frankly, probably less than a quarter of a million dollar impact, that we would not, we would not take an action that would relieve a very serious inequity for 20 or 25 businesses, which are struggling, which are struggling now, and which will have a very difficult time to survive. I couldn't imagine, all of the alfalfa plants that are up and down this valley, the Platte Valley and they stretch, as I've said, from Fremont, Columbus, Grand Island, Hastings, on out to the Platte...to North Platte, and South Platte Valley, that we couldn't find some manner in which we could say, yes, we should not burden an industry that was paying \$1,000 tax or \$1,200 tax with a \$12,000 tax. But we wouldn't do it. But then very shortly thereafter we rolled over and played dead, and jumped through hoops. And Senator Warner gave some good arguments as to why, and I didn't vote for 772 either. I didn't think we got enough back in what we gave away in 772 to legitimize 772. Most of...many of you don't even remember, weren't here when the bill was passed so it