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Senator Kristensen said, sometimes we have to act like state senators, and it's like my district, we have...I have one county that lost a thousand people in the last ten years, probably a good chance they will lose another 500 people because there aren't any jobs there. It is a rural community and we know that farming...the farm population is slowly decreasing. So I think those...I think those are the things, I have no problem with the cost analysis that Senator Wesely has. I think we have to do that. But we're in the game like everyone else, and it's like up around Blair, with that Cargill plant. If you don't think a plant like that doesn't cause some business activity, you ought to come up there and just observe for a couple of days. And I think some senators that were up there would agree, that were up there before Christmas would agree to that fact. I did...I was into the coffee shop before church Sunday, and the lady was worried about the blighted land, and, of course, the first thing I thought of was Senator Chambers, and she wanted a good definition of it, so I think I will talk to Senator Chambers and find out (inaudible), but you know it is interesting, this person was one that got \$10,000 an acre because of some land she got from Cargill. I couldn't figure out whether she wanted it blighted or not blighted because she was figuring on how much more money she was going to make. But you know it is interesting how things like this come out, but I do, Senator Crosby, I'll tell you, you really know how to dress them down, and maybe I will come up sometime and ask you to dress some people down again, but although I will say, they have as much right as you do to stand up and voice their opinions. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK Thank you, Senator Robinson. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, sometimes there is a suggestion made on this floor that a landowner who tries to get as large a price as possible for his or her property is greedy, yet the bottom line for all businesses is profit; you want to make as much profit as you can for your stockholders, your bond...if you have bondholders, or whoever, your investors, yet when the individual property holder is involved, suddenly it is greed to try to get what the Legislature is giving hand over fist to these big businesses. Senator Crosby may not have heard Micron bills discussed much in Lancaster County, but in Douglas County where they are upset about reassessments, there is a tremendous amount of discussion,