

90 percent or 95 percent and the other part of town to be at 50 percent, and then the State Board of Equalization come in and raise everybody by 10 percent. Now that 10 percent raise may get somebody at the bottom and make them pay a little more but it is unfair to the individual that was at the top end, and you need for a system of fairness to work that you can come up, as an individual taxpayer, be able to have an easy way, a quicker way, and I believe a better way of airing their disputes. That is what the Tax Equalization and Review Commission does. People who say that debate doesn't make a difference, today is a good example of where it does. There is at least three different areas that, because of debate today, because of people reading it, has helped me find some areas that I want to change, and to that extent, it has been very instructive for me. I know that the body has some patience to deal with this. I would hope that we'd advance LB 490 onto Select File. I am going to take seriously Senator Bromm, Senator Pirsch, Senator Vrtiska, Senator Hall, even Senator Robinson, some, even Senator Robinson, and I think Senator Lynch has got some philosophic question there that is important that has got to at least be addressed about when are you going to do that, and some proportionality of the remedy for doing that. I don't think anybody has an objection that we need to work and achieve better equalization. If you are going to distribute over 300 million dollars a year in state aid to schools, and that it's supposed to be equitably and fairly done, the entire state needs to have equalization, and another word for that is "fairness." If you don't have that fairness, the system will begin to be undermined even further. People will not trust that sort of a system, and it will even deteriorate worse. So with that, I would urge the adoption and the advancement to E & R Initial of LB 490, and I, again, thank you for your patience and wonderful questions.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. The question before you is the advancement of LB 490. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Madam President, I would ask for a call of the house, please.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: There has been a request for a call of the house. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay. Please record.