

SENATOR ROBINSON: How much money does this save the counties? Anything? Will this bill save the counties any money?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Well, that's a hard question because I'm not sure which direction you're coming from. It will do a better job of assessment and will do a better job of equalizing property tax values and, obviously, if you have better values equalized across the State of Nebraska that greatly benefits the counties because the property tax figures then are more accurate, more fair and then any aid distributions that come to counties based on those values is more fairly done. It will relieve the load in the district court and to the extent that it will help a county that... I mean if you have a lot of cases that get filed in district court it's going to alleviate that case load. Is this a property tax savings? I don't think it's fair to characterize this as a property tax savings bill. I think this goes to a property tax fairness bill and that it's just not very fair if you don't have good equalization and it's not fair to the counties that went out and did their jobs and do their jobs, but this also allows for the individual...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ..taxpayer to... to have their day in court without having to go to court.

SENATOR ROBINSON: You think you can hire a good person with the abilities they should have to perform the two 44,000 dollar a year jobs when they have to move? And I'm sure, presume they have to move to Lincoln, don't they?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Well, there's no... I mean, they're going to be stationed out of there...

SENATOR ROBINSON: Yeah. Yeah.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ..but there's no requirement...

SENATOR ROBINSON: Yeah.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: . they have to live here.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Yeah.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: That's on the low end. I mean, you know,