

feel you don't have all the information you need. The reason is I am going to pull this bill. It is going to be studied this summer and fall, but I will promise you that it will be back in January. Senator Robinson of the Government Affairs Committee will talk about that a little bit also, so if you feel you don't have all the information the reason is that you will get much more by next January. But I do need to have you recognize the seriousness of this matter, that it does need to be taken up and I wanted to take this opportunity to pull the bill from committee so that I could discuss the issues that are going to be... we are going to be facing. It is a charge of the boundary commission to make recommendations to this body as to what we should do to solve this dispute. We have made the recommendation to... their recommendation has been carried through through this bill that you will see in 719. Probably most of you don't have the bill up here at this time, but that constitutes what we propose as a settlement. I would propose to you next year to go into much more detail what... what is constituted, what involved in the amount of taxes, what is involved in the amount of acres that's to be done. The exceptions that we have and to the reason that I would propose that this needs to be done rather than go through the court system and a cost of litigation. There has been extensive court litigation actually in many cases already and there apparently is going to be more to come, especially if Missouri carries on through with what is now more than a threat but an actual fact. They've sent out tax notices to many on Nebraska's side. So, with that basis, I'm going to conclude and I know Senator Vrtiska wants to speak to this but I wanted to tell you about what will be coming and to give you an indication of the issue and you may study the map and see about where we're talking. It's essentially from about Hamburg, Iowa, south to the Kansas line in Miss... or the Nebraska line on the Missouri River. So, with that, I will entertain questions if there are any over time and Senator Vrtiska I know wants to speak next. I... I will give up my time, I don't think it makes any difference, and quit at this time and let Senator Vrtiska carry on.

SPEAKER WITHEM: I'm sorry, Senator Wehrbein, I didn't catch that. Are you yielding time to Senator Vrtiska or...?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: (inaudible) I will. I don't think it makes any difference so I will just quit.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Okay. Then we'll proceed with our list of