

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Senator Robinson, I have been told that the average farm in the state of Nebraska returns 2 percent on its investment on an annual basis. And that was a study done over a long period of time. I can't give you where I got that information, but it's pretty much been a rule of thumb over the years.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Well, boy, if this...I think all you farmers ought to get the state lands group to take care of your investment. They're talking 10 percent, and I think that's a bunch of "hooy" myself. I don't think they make 10 percent. I think we ought to sell much of, as much of this land as we can sell. If you get a good investor, you'll average 10 percent a year. And a lot of...last year you would have averaged over 30 percent. I think we ought...I don't think...I don't know why you would keep one third of it around when you can make more money on it. Why? Talk about the benefit of the children of Nebraska. You make more money you can give more money out. Now that's just one person's opinion. But I think it's a good opinion. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Robinson. Senator Maurstad. Senator Maurstad waives off. Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES: Madam President and members of the body, I'd like to get back to Robinson's question just a little bit on the amount of dollars taken in and the amount of dollars taken out. I got a phone call from a Logan County superintendent when I introduced this bill the other day, and he said that they took in \$176,694 for the whole county in rent. And the time they got through with the administration and everything and in lieu of tax, actual dollars that come back to that county was \$55,173. So you can see it's not hardly a third of the money that came back. So I don't know whether that kind of answers your question or not. But that's what I found out. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Jones. Senator Jensen.

SENATOR JENSEN: Question.

SENATOR CROSBY: Question has been called, do I see five hands?