

we'll be still facing the effects of federal budget cuts, if they happen. I suspect they will. It'll be at the same time that, a little bit after the fact that may be increased taxes to reimburse some of the subdivisions on some of the losses. It may be right after that time. Certainly we'll have the 2000 computer thing fixed one way or another. And maybe we're just going to be in the year 1902 rather than 2002. But at that point you need to find where the dollars are going to come from. And I do this basically for the discussion purposes that when you do this to community colleges, not to mention the fact that when we talk about where we can find the dollars to fund them we didn't even care...well, that's not true, twenty-four people cared enough to say that we will give them half of the vetoed money. I mean this body wasn't able to give them \$108,000, where in the world are you going to come up with 54 million. And so I would like to bring to discussion, because I would like to have those supporting the bill the way it is, I would like to have you tell me where you plan on getting the money, what tax you're willing to increase, and what you're going to be willing to do. And I heard Senator Fisher clear as a bell and I heard Senator Jensen on the Chambers amendment on the tax on the intangibles. Senator Jensen said no way, no way, no way, and I understand that. And quite honestly, I somewhat concur with Senator Jensen that when you tax intangibles, intangibles have a tendency then to move to another bank and to another state and you can still grab a hold of them. And I understand that and it's a very valid point. But Senator Fisher said, this is not the right tax. So I asked him, I said, what is the right tax, out of curiosity. And his response was, and he can correct me if I misquoting him, but his response was, across the board is the best way to do it when we need the dollars. In other words, we'll raise corporate taxes a little bit, sales tax, you know, in equal amount, income tax, and so on. And then you have to ask yourselves, okay, if that were really the proposal, would Senator Fisher actually support that? He's arguing that that would be the fairest one in his view, but would he support it. Would you support it? Will you support the sales tax, which is more regressive. That senior citizens may want because they don't want the income tax to go up. Or would you support the income tax of when people are saying, no, we're taxed too high any way, we need to keep the tax base lower so we keep our businesses here and we keep the economic development going. Where are you going to find the dollars? Because if you do this, you will face that decision. And I would like to see if