

change, not one. You would have voted for the bill because your attitude is, and I respect that attitude, I don't agree with it but I respect it, the attitude is we've got to do something, if we don't do something, we're going to be in trouble so I'm feel I have to do it, damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead. And you didn't want to discuss any of those because I'm going to wager many of you haven't even read the bills to know what's really in there. And I understand, Senator Crosby. I'm upset so you'll just have to put up with that. One of the things that concerns me on the property tax, and it will tie into this particular proposal on the reconsideration of the Maurstad amendment, is that we're putting so much faith in the election process and the attitude that was put in last night was a very simplistic attitude in my view and, Senator Crosby, it's my view. The simplistic concept is if you give the people the right to vote that's okay because the people will then decide. That process, thought process is true, but if you go the next step and you ask the question, are there certain political subdivisions that do not have a chance in heck and blazes, as Senator Chambers would say, to pass any proposals, the...if you think about that, the answer is that's correct, they're probably not going to get these things passed. So that's great. You gave them the...we have the out where they'll be able to vote and we push it off to them, say, hey, if your people want to do it. When it comes to public schools, there are only 25 percent of Nebraska's population that has any children in the school. Look at all the bond elections that have failed throughout the state and tell me that they really care more about on the education side or their pocketbook. You tell me. On the property tax measure, we're getting to the point where we'll be making decisions in this body on pocketbook, and I understand that. That's how the world goes. But you know what, there's not one word about kids, not one. Oh, there's some talks about school districts and what they would have to do, but I was with some Girl Scouts this morning and I couldn't take it anymore. Mr. Speaker, members of the body, the Maurstad amendment, Senator Cudaback, would you yield to a question at this point?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Cudaback, do you...would you like to respond to a question?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Yes. Yes, sir.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Would the Maurstad amendment have