

believe in that the Schrock amendment should be...should be not only...I was glad it was adopted, but it should be maintained and not reconsidered for a couple of reasons. Number one, the public very overwhelmingly, twice, has voted that they believe that ag land should be at 80 percent, so it's not any problem with the public of the state of Nebraska. I don't see anywhere where the public is going to say I want to have my house valued at more than 100 percent. I don't see anybody voting no on that one. So, for Senator Kristensen and others that says...that say this takes away, this kills the bill, is nonsense.

SENATOR COORDSEN: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: What it really says is they don't get what they want so they will be off the bill so it won't be...there won't be 30. And what they're basically telling us, those of us that supported the Schrock amendment, you have to give in because if you don't give in you'll be the blame for property tax. Call the bluff. Say, look, we don't have to give in every time. We don't have to say, gee, you're right, if you don't get your way you won't vote for it, there won't be 30 votes there. By golly, you meet us halfway and if you really believe in property tax relief, Senator Kristensen, and all this tax package this is not going to torpedo it. If it did, I guess we weren't really that serious. This is not going to torpedo it. Senator Beutler, when you talked about the...most of us in the body maybe believe in the issue but the timing's wrong, the timing is never wrong when you have 25 votes. In fact, the timing is always perfect when you have the votes to do it and the votes were there to do it and...

SENATOR COORDSEN: Time.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...Senator Chambers is correct, there won't be 25 in the years coming. You do it now.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I rise in support of the reconsideration motion on the Schrock amendment. I agree totally with Senator Warner that LR 292 actually is the linchpin of this entire property tax package. I think it's absolutely essential that the amendment to the