

the subdivisions. That's what we're doing. And I don't think the world's going to come to an end like Senator Bernard-Stevens said. It's like Senator Warner said--we're not going to have a disaster take place. It's interesting when the com...we passed the computer bill, West Point, Nebraska, headlines: Senators Pass Computer Bill. Well, of course, being as liberal as I am, I voted for that. Well, I called the owner of the paper up that night and, well, he was a little sheepish about it. He said, well, my editor wrote that, the letter. And I didn't notice but my wife did the...in the same paper he was applauding how great computers were, the owner was, but it was his editorial writer that wrote how the Legislature was spending all this money on computers. One thing we haven't talked about, what if we didn't do anything, Senator Bernard-Stevens, just kept rolling on as we have been? Oh, Eddy Jaksha would be right out there in front and he still may be out there in front. If we think cutting spending...no spending for three years on all local governments, including the state, you've got another thing coming, Senator Bernard-Stevens. The tears really will be rolling down those cheeks of yours if that happens, I'll tell you. And we talk about teacher/pupil load. I don't think there's anyone in here can cite any empirical evidence what the right teacher/pupil load is. I think you have to get down around 13 to 1 where teacher/pupil load really makes a difference on learning. I have a letter coming from Jim O'Hanlon, who's the head of Teachers College. I wrote...we talked to him a few weeks ago. I don't think we really know. We get up and we spout off and say we got to have this and that. I don't think we really know what the right teacher/pupil load is. We probably have...we probably have too many teachers. We probably have too many principals. We probably have too many superintendents in this state if we compare ourselves to Iowa. Heck, they consolidated 30 years ago. When Bernard-Stevens talks about the three schools that have mill levies of...in the eighties, I have one. It shouldn't be, but we've allowed that to happen and it has to change...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR ROBINSON: ...some way. I made a presentation to the Lions Club in Blair Monday night, but you know what I started out with? I started out with information on how...how property taxes had increased. And I listed, I give them the information on how much special education increased, how much property taxes