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minutes if you care to use it.

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think right now that counties select, as part of their annual business, a newspaper, typically the newspaper or publication of largest circulation within the county or within the geographical area in which they're located. They try to do this on the basis of the circulation, the number of publications that will reach the largest population, the largest number of people. Are they going to reach everyone within their county? No, they certainly aren't. Will they reach enough to create the type of deterrent that they wish to accomplish with this type of publication? Yes. In all respect to Senator Schimek, I think what she says is true in that not everybody is going to be reached, but enough people will be reached to create the incentive for people to go in and pay their taxes. Certainly, Senator Wickersham, this is...this creates permissive language. This troubles me somewhat in the fact that it's...this is not a new mandate. This is something the county treasurers of our state have been living with for a substantial period of time. I have never heard any of those treasurers in any way, in a negative form, come to me and say that this was something that they did not want to do. I don't see a necessity for changing the language. I don't see the necessity, quite honestly, for the expense that would need to be taken for a second notice. What is the cost now of a notice, of a notice through the mail? A dollar and a quarter, a dollar fifty per notification? I'm not sure. I think the economics of the public notification is more economical. I think it accomplishes what's set out to be accomplished. I think this is good law that we have lived with for a period of time and which at least my county treasurer feels comfortable with, and I don't see any reason for the change in the language, and I would ask that you adopt the amendment to the committee amendments.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Jensen.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I wish to stand in support of the Byars amendment. You know, who is really benefit...benefitted by a notice of delinquency anyway? Certainly, if you're an individual property owner you know, you know that taxes are due and they're to be paid.