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property taxes, an immutable tax that doesn't vary with your income, that varies with the demand from local governments. It varies with state aid, and if it is true, if it is true that the potential downturn of revenues that is being predicted in some circles for the cash flow of the state of Nebraska is coming,...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...then it would appear that the more logical approach would not be the Kristensen amendment. The more logical approach would be a mechanism that would drive up state aid to provide the maximum amount of support for local schools in the state of Nebraska to help those who are undergoing the most duress. If that's the assumption behind the Kristensen amendment, folks, it is headed in exactly a hundred and eighty degrees in an opposite direction from a rational, logical preparation for what might be a disaster or, at least, a dip in the receipts of the state of Nebraska. I, for the life of me, have not been able to understand the administration's position of going in the...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...direction that they're going, and I thank you for not enough time. I am going to have to learn to talk faster. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. On the Wickersham amendment, Senator Suttle.

SENATOR SUTTLE: I'd like to call the question on the Wickersham amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Sufficient debate having occurred, the question has been called. Do I see five hands? If you have your hands up, could you please stand so I can see you. I see five hands. Thank you. The question before us is to cease debate. Those in favor say (sic) aye, those opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.