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neighbors up and down the street with less income are having to pay through the sales and income tax for those that actually have higher household income. We're getting to a level where it's quite touchy, and I would urge in future years caution in raising those levels higher than what they are, because they are take-home pay, take-home pay, both from tax and nontax sources and...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...not comparable to salaries or other types of income that's taxable. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Before we proceed, Senator Jim Jensen would like to announce the following guests are visiting the Legislature: 30 ninth graders from the Omaha Christian Academy in Omaha, (introduced teacher), seated in the north balcony. If you'd rise, we'd like to recognize you and welcome you to the Nebraska Legislature. For discussion on the committee amendments to LB 179, Senator Chris Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to ask for a division of the question.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler, would you like to explain the division?

SENATOR BEUTLER: On the committee statement, Mr. Speaker, the explanation of amendments by the committee, they're listed 1, 2, 3, and 4, I would like to divide off number 1 from numbers 2, 3, and 4.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Wickersham, could you or Counsel come forward and.... Members, we'll stand at ease for a moment.

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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler, would you please state the basis for your request to divide the question?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, the basis in what sense?