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words, all the rest of them would have the option of increasing property taxes, if you want property taxes increased. But...but I would like Senator Wickersham to pass out a chart that shows all of the city levies and how many of the cities are up against their levy limit. How many of the cities are up against their levy limit? I suggest to you that it's probably not very many. And why do the cities then need a 6 to 7 million dollar windfall, when they can raise property taxes, too? Why do you suggest...why do you suggest that the money be taken away from the NRDs, because they can raise property taxes, but not against the cities, when they, too, could raise property taxes? And if we get to Select File, when we get to Select File I'll get that chart for you. I'm sure there must be a chart. But what about the cities in your district? They are all under the property tax levy limits this year. Have any of them come complaining to you? I doubt if very many have, not Douglas County, not Lancaster County, not any of the counties.... I don't know of a single.... There must be some small cities up there that are pretty high on their levies. But, generally speaking, I think their situation is comparable to or better than the NRDs'. In any event, that's just answering some information that you got, in case that information is important to you in voting on this motion. But I hope that information is not important to you. I hope what's important to you is the issue itself and whether or not there should be a debate on substituting funds or getting funds back to those political subdivisions that are being cut out of the motor vehicle tax money. That's the issue; that's what we need to discuss. The logical and the economic way of discussing that is when you have the central question before you, rather than having it discussed in the Appropriations Committee, going around one way, other bills, amendments to other bills coming around another way, why not take it head-on? Why not just discuss it? That's what this motion to suspend the rules would do; it would allow us to discuss it. Thank you.

**SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:** On the motion to suspend the rules, Senator Wehrbein.

**SENATOR WEHRBEIN:** Yes, Mr. President, members of the body, I support the rule suspension, because I believe that's the straightest way to get at the issue. And frankly, I'm not sure I support Senator Beutler in the specific issue of his