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just gave as an explanation to be quite a bit of reaching to show that state tax burdens are going to be reduced?

SENATOR LANDIS: The...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm just asking. I won't argue with you.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...yeah, right. I'm trying to figure out what the question means in the sense as I answer it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That you have to reach way out and give a very thin, implausible explanation, which is full of temporizing...

SENATOR LANDIS: Oh.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...to make it seem that something is happening...

SENATOR LANDIS: Right, oh, I got it, okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...which is not.

SENATOR LANDIS: Now I understand. The answer is, no, I don't think I'm reaching in that case with that definition.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Landis. Members of the Legislature, we're going to hear people talk about reducing property taxes. How many of you think you'll be given an explanation like that to show that some program is reducing property taxes? That assessments...valuations are high now, but if things keep happening, there may be a turndown over here and those values will drop, and if those values drop, then you're going to pay less in property tax. You all are not going to argue that way when we get on an issue like that, but when we have a cock and bull proposition like this, we get cock and bull explanations. I don't believe there's anybody on the floor, other than Senator Landis, who'd stand on the floor and say they will sell this project to their constituents by telling them that by putting this convention center in Omaha, using state tax money, is going to reduce their tax burden. How many of you-all would argue that way? Not one of you. And Senator Landis'