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Attachment C. NRDs are not going to lose dollars. What changes is the source of the dollars. You had a source that used to be motor vehicle taxes. That's not going to be there. If the source is going to be state dollars, then you leave the bill the way it is. If it is going to be property tax dollars, then you'd adopt the amendment if they even increase. But if you...but if you take \$1.6 million away from the counties, property tax dollars are going to increase for counties. So you're really betting on which one of them you want to have a property tax increase when you take money away from them. Maybe the better solution is Senator Beutler's, and that's just give the counties back part of the money that we're taking away from them.

SENATOR CUDABACK: So if you want to maintain pro...what's going on currently, if you vote for this amendment, the NRDs will not lose a dollar (inaudible) from a different source.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: That's correct. There's only one that would lose and that's Nemaha, and they might lose about 25,000.

SENATOR CUDABACK: And the counties can't spend those dollars because they're under the...

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: That's correct.

SENATOR CUDABACK: So what...is there a whole lot to lose by voting for this amendment, in your opinion?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: No.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It's your amendment, but...

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: No.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Wickersham, your light is on next.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Mr. President. Again, I want to point out that even if the amendment is adopted, even if the