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told me that they thought that their counties were doing this already, and they are, because there's a number of counties that are doing it and they're doing it against the law. They don't have the authority to do it. They don't have the authority to do it. But a number of them just know. They just say, this is crazy, of course we'll take the check and put it in the bank and, yes, you owe us some more money and pay us...pay us that. Senator Crosby, let me tell you this. You got to pay your taxes and if you pay...and if you are a day late you are 14 percent short for every day you're late. Nothing in this changes that. Nothing in here changes your responsibility to pay your taxes or the consequences if you don't. Every day you are late it's 14 percent. That remains totally unaffected. But for those smaller counties that have begun to do this on their own privately, because it makes so much darn sense, they're operating without any legal authority to do so. For those who don't want to do it, and if that's Senator Baker's county, let them say no. All they can do is say no. They doesn't make them do anything. But I've got a county treasurer who said he could do this. If he can get the county board to say, all right, you've got the authority, he'll be able to do this and then I'll have a constituent who, when he proffers 1,300 bucks of taxes, will have his check cashed rather than allow the interest to continue to run up because he hasn't jumped through every little hoop. That is not an absence of personal responsibility. That is an absence of reasonable customer service.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. We are discussing the Crosby-Bromm amendment. The lights that are on are Senator Vrtiska, Kremer, Baker, Senator Redfield. Senator Vrtiska, on the amendment.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. I just wanted to make a comment. I don't know if Senator Landis is listening, but...apparently he's tied up with some other discussion but...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Did you wish...did you wish to ask a question of Senator Landis?

SENATOR VRTISKA: I just had to make a comment. Senator Landis, in 24 years on the county board, we did accept one time a partial payment on a gentleman who was having financial