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would. The problem would be that people out there who read what we did and they believe that it's law, and people in this category are people who are poor people, and so they could probably...someone else could come and file a lawsuit, and perhaps with the way that it reads, I'm not an attorney, but I think they'd have a good shot. However, they don't have the money to do that. What on earth could they possibly gain when their whole hope was the recovery of \$775 they wouldn't have to pay in property tax? So, that's why I called it tragic. I think the situation is tragic. I'm not...I'm not sure what the solution is that we can...that we can do at this point. And so I'm willing to listen to the arguments, but I clearly take issue with the actions of the Department of Revenue. And that's not the person who's there now, because I don't think the person who's there now was here, I'm not certain of that, but I'm not certain that person was here when this issue became before the Department of Revenue as they would have been interpreting this from last session; if the person was, they were new and new on the job. But still, it seems to me that when something is...appears to be as plain as that, "or" or "and" certainly are different, that it causes one to wonder how many times a department would take such leave as to do that type of an interpretation. I think it's a huge leap. I would think that, if they were taking that leap, that certainly they would have let members of the Revenue Committee or those people who had sponsored bills in that area be aware of the change or what they thought the intent was and how they were interpreting it. Thank you. I'll return my remaining time.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Bohlke. Senator Kristensen, on the Bourne amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, the contribution I want to give is that of what the history is of the homestead; that when the homestead exemptions, and now we're talking about when they first came into play and not the last couple of years, were designed, not as a public assistance program, they weren't designed as a property tax relief program per se, they were designed to assist people to retrofit or to construct their homes in such a way to help them with their disability and that the money that they would save from their property tax would be used for ramps, those sorts of