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Committee almost got out of committee, and I would hope that someone will be successful. And what Senator Kristensen said, my interpretation of homestead exemption was the property tax relief and not just that they could use the money for a ramp or anything like that, but that they could use that money to stay in their homes.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR BOHLKE: And, if that meant staying in their homes, that they could afford to pay the utilities, they could afford to do a number of other things besides just property tax, or if they had to add a ramp or something like that. That was what I always thought the homestead exemption was meant to be. And so it saddens me that the mistake was made or what some people portray as a mistake and clearly perpetuated the problem by the interpretation that the Department of Revenue did. However, I just, not knowing the amount of the A bill, but knowing it would be significant, I don't think that we can go forward today with the Bourne amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Bohlke. Senator Bourne, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I don't know where to start. We keep saying, you know, there's going to be a significant A bill on this Bourne amendment. Well, all my amendment does is keep the language the way it was when we passed LB 179 last year and the Governor signed it. We're not talking about rich people here. We're not talking about tax breaks for people that don't deserve it. We're talking about disabled poor people who are fortunate enough to own their own homes and who need some tax breaks on their house so that they can stay in their homes. Where are they going to go? You know, that's all this does. I mean, my amendment simply maintains the way it was that we passed it last year and the Governor signed it. We keep hearing, oh, it's going to have this enormous A bill. This is already the law. My amendment would maintain the way the law already is. People can apply for the homestead exemption as of April 1st, and then they have a few months to do it. We haven't heard any outcry from anyone that this is...you know, that hundreds or thousands of new disabled folks are