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SENATOR JANSSEN: ...of my customers--my God, those property taxes; how much longer am I going to be able to stay in business? I had planned on just making a few comments and giving the rest of my time to Senator Wickersham, but I felt as though I had to stand up and tell the body what I'm hearing from...in a small town but a cross-section of people that patronize my establishment. This is their number one concern, what their property taxes are, and I think this is one...one small attempt to allow only 47 percent of the funding for public schools in your district to be funded by property taxes. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Senator Bohlke, on the motion to override.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I'm looking at this visual aid from Senator Wickersham and trying to envision a heel fly or a cow and I don't quite see it that way. But what I do see is a graph going in the wrong direction that we want it to go. Because if you look at that and you see where that line is starting to go up, I want to tell you, if we are not successful with an override, that line is going to go up more dramatically and what I had tried to say earlier will be absolutely true with the people in your district who Senator Janssen talked about, and I think it's very true, are very concerned about property tax. This seems to go back to the very same...almost the same debate and the same people saying the same thing that we did at the beginning of the session a year ago when we restored the \$22 million to the schools. People said, you're putting it on autopilot and all kinds of bad things will happen. Well, what happened by restoring that money is that we did preserve that much of state aid going out to schools and, therefore, the property tax did not go up the amount it would have. As we look at what other states do, and I have an anticipation that somewhere along the line, I don't know if Senator Brashear has his light on or not, but often he talks about tax policy, and we look at other states and we get the criticism from other states from people who say, well, look at South Dakota. Well, there's a difference. We, in Nebraska, have decided that we're going to rely primarily on three sources of taxes: income, sales, and property. And when you only have a million and a half people and 77,000 square miles, that's going