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the state of Nebraska. I hope you understand that. But personal property taxes are tough. It's a disincentive to upgrading your equipment. It's a disincentive for upgrading your irrigation equipment to make it more efficient. And so I would ask for a full discussion on this. And I would hope that Senator Brashear would be acceptable to this amendment. If, in fact, he does not like the amendment and wants me to withdraw it, I will. But I would ask for a full discussion on this. It is important. As long as I'm a member of the Legislature, there's going to be legislation on personal property taxes. And so with that, I will try and answer any questions you might have. This is \$25.8 million less taxes that real farmers, not absentee landowners in this state, are going to have less to pay. And I think this makes LB 759 very palatable to the ag community. And it makes this portion of LB 759 very palatable to the ag community. So I would hope that you would have some positive comments on this. But I would try and answer any questions you may have.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. You've heard the opening on AM1479, which is an amendment to AM1445, which is an amendment to LB 759. Open for discussion on that amendment by Senator Schrock. Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. I find the Schrock idea intriguing. In fact, when it's been over in the committee, I have some sympathy for it. I don't have sympathy for it in this context, because it leaves us with the same conundrum that Senator Kremer identified. And I realize there's a simple way to say it. And I've been struggling with it. But I've found out, because in the end, this winds us...winds up giving us relief for our state budget by pushing new responsibilities on property taxes. And the way it seems to me to characterize this portion of LB 759 is that we're going to raise property taxes so that we can give property tax relief. (Puzzled noise)...what? That's what happens. You raise property taxes by going to \$1.10, which gives you freedom in the state budget so that you can turn around and give property tax relief. And that is the Rube Goldberg aspect of this piece. If this went to a different end, if this was broken apart, it's that these pieces in this order don't work for me