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go with it. But this other way is a formula that is reasoned and has a way of being understood, I think, by the public, and certainly be understood by a board, and allows the board to do what it needs to do. Under our present lid cap, we have prevented boards from doing what they need to do, even when it's in the best interest of that district. Therefore, I would hope that we would look at this as a model if we resurrect it in a future life.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Kruse. Senator Mines, followed by Senator Janssen.

SENATOR MINES: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, colleagues. You know, just as a point of interest, I wonder if I might ask Senator Beutler to yield, please.

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Beutler, would you yield, please?

SENATOR MINES: Senator, since you've been here long enough and you understand when levy limits and spending caps were instituted...it's a friendly question. They were instituted, and as I understand it, was the cap, the spending cap, to go away in a period of time? I mean, was that part of the discussion, that you recall?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, I think that's correct. If I'm remembering correctly how Senator Warner envisioned this at the time, when the levy limits were created, that was to be what was needed for the purpose of controlling property taxes. And I don't...I'm not sure that it was intended that budget lids would entirely go away, but certainly the thought was that they would be modified and changed over time.

SENATOR MINES: Okay. Thank you. That makes sense. You know, I think everyone has great points. And Senator Redfield certainly made some, that spending authority can be increased by a vote of the people, although, I think it would be difficult to explain to the general population, the general voters, what you might be trying to do. I mean, it's...it was difficult enough for me to understand, and I served in that capacity. And we are a representative form of government, and it's...you know, I...if