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take a look at some of those things like that. It bothers me that we have all this money laying around. I think it bothers Senator Brashear. That's why he is proposing that we do some bonded indebtedness for highways. I think that's probably not too bad a solution. So anyway, I thank Senator Hartnett for his time. I don't know what I'm going to do on this. All I know is that if you want it your way, go to Burger King, don't come to the Legislature because you're not going to get it your way. But at some point in time we've got to compromise and come up with the necessary votes to get the job done. So you can hold the pickle and lettuce and tomato at Burger King if you want to, but here you better go along with the majority and try and get something done and we need to come together. And if that means voting for \$1.10 down the road, I guess I'll do it. I don't like it, but if that's what it means, I'll do it. Thank you for your time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock and Senator Hartnett. (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion of the Wehrbein amendment to the Education Committee amendment to LB 1093, Senator Mines followed by Senators Chambers, Tyson, Senator Don Pederson, Senator Redfield, Senator Brashear, Senator Smith, Senator Beutler, and Senator Baker. Senator Mines.

SENATOR MINES: Thank you, Mr. President, and colleagues. I'm not sure if I support AM3027 or not. I certainly didn't until I spoke to someone that I respect on the floor. And I was opposed to it simply because it would increase property tax to \$1.10. And I was of the mind that let's just keep it at \$1.05 for a while and then we'll make up on the other end. But I was brought up to speed that if we as a body do advance the amendment that may take income tax increases off the table, may or may not, and I don't know which I hate more, property tax increase or income tax increase. I've heard a lot...I've heard many of my rural colleagues talk about the difficulties that they're having in greater Nebraska and how property tax certainly would adversely affect their bottom line and I agree with that. But I've not heard anyone suggest that those that live in and around metropolitan areas of Nebraska are suffering as well. Many of us are on reasonably fixed income because our