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Nebraska, but first class cities, second class cities can use throughout this state. And this is what's made this state probably as good as it is, because of cooperation like this, when we can get people together and use a bond issue for some very, very important things. So, Senator Flood, keep up the good work.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR JANSSEN: It's a good bill, and you'll do fine with it. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Janssen and Senator Schimek. Senator Mines, followed by Senator Beutler and others.

SENATOR MINES: Thank you, Mr. President. Could I have Senator Flood yield to a question, please?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Flood, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR FLOOD: Yes.

SENATOR MINES: Senator Flood, let me just first say that I do support the bill and I support your amendment, and I think it makes some sense, given what cities and counties and all local governments face today. I might ask, there's...Senator Schimek suggested that the real core of this bill is public buildings, public real estate, recreation facilities, those kinds of things. Could you tell me where you came up with the idea for this particular bill?

SENATOR FLOOD: Sure. Thank you, Senator Mines. I look at communities like South Sioux City, where the school district and the city enjoy the services that they provide under one roof. So when a patron of the school district or a resident of the city walks into this building, all their services, for the most part, are laid out under one roof. And obviously, I talked about that in my opening remarks. But there's a benefit that I didn't address, and that benefit is, there's communication between the school district, which has a much larger budget, most times, than the city. And when the city and the school and