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thought that certainly, if there's 36 percent of our taxes go into healthcare--by the way, that's state dollars, that isn't all the dollars going into healthcare; from the private side, it's much, much more than that -- but it would seem to me that somebody from that industry should certainly be on I put out also the suggestion that maybe we should committee. use the experience of 20 state senators that are leaving. doesn't mean that they and only they would serve on this committee. But I think their experience that they have had here, as they watched how the citizens pay their taxes, how taxes are collected...and I, for one, absolutely feel that the tax system that we have today is unfair. I think it's very unfair. As Senator Redfield has talked many times, and I've concurred with her, that maybe we need to broaden the tax, particularly the sales tax picture, and lower the amount. only concern with that, obviously, is you broaden the tax-paying picture, and then it's very easy to increase that amount that we lowered, right back up to where it is today. And so all you've done is expanded taxes for more people on more things. But I do believe that we do have a very unfair tax picture. I think we have a very unfair tax picture when it even comes to some of the areas that cause a great deal of our expenses, alcohol, for one, in that I don't believe that they pay their share of cost when it comes to imprisonment, when it comes to child abuse, when it comes to spousal abuse, because of that particular industry. I've taken those bills before the Revenue Committee, haven't had success up to this point. I got one more year to try. absolutely do feel that that is one area that we should also be looking at. And I thought that perhaps the 20 senators--if you want more on there--but with all that expertise that we've had, to say that that's not needed anymore, that certainly is up to the body. They can decide if they feel that that's necessary or I do have an interest in this state. I've got 5 kids, 16 grandkids, all living here, and I'm concerned about where they're going to be in the future, and what the state is going to look like. I absolutely do feel that if we don't straighten out our tax picture, if we don't grow Nebraska, that we are facing some very troubling years ahead, very troubling, as we get into the 2012 and on up.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: One minute.