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the court system. I think those are things that we've really got to think about. If this bill were to be passed and you go home, and the next year the county is up against their lid limit, where are they going to go for additional money to hire someone to do this job, improve the courthouse, remodel the courthouse, or whatever it's going to take? But I think those are things that we need to think about. There's going to be private businesses that are going to have to do, possibly, the same. But that doesn't affect the taxes. I am here to protect the property taxes, so that they do not continually raise throughout the state of Nebraska. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK:    Thank you, Senator Stuthman.    Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK:    Senator...Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Stuthman, I see no validity of what you just said. And matter of fact, I'm just kind of shaking my head. Where did you come up with this? I mean, where did you dream that? The fact of the matter is, there's about 45 or 46 states that have passed some sort of concealed carry bill. It's not been a problem in the other states. What makes you think it's going to be a problem here? I've been dealing with this issue for 12 years. It was the number one issue when I campaigned for the Legislature in 1994. What are you going to do about concealed carry? I told them I'm a member of the NRA, and they said, I'll vote for you, and that was almost 100 percent. And I asked...was asked that question more than any other question. People aren't going to buy guns; they're not going to carry guns. Things are going to go on, as usual. We're not going to have to put metal detectors in courthouses. The law-abiding citizens will get the permit. They won't carry them. They might have them in their vehicle. The criminals don't care. They're going to carry them, either way. So I don't understand where you're coming from. It doesn't make any sense, and you know, if 45 or 46 other states can do this and they haven't had problems, I've got to ask myself, what is wrong with Nebraska? Don't we get it? What is wrong with Nebraska? Don't we get it? You know, some...I get asked a lot of time what's wrong with the Unicameral? I say, well, you know, my taxes are high, I can't do anything about that, I guess. We