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for one, the mandatory reappraisal that has happened is, supposedly happening once in ten years or at least in the last 10 years in Lancaster County. I understand their cost on that was \$396,000; you've got the, you've got the cost of the County Assessor's Office which is almost exclusively devoted to collecting of these taxes. You've got the cost of the Board of Equalization when it is setting as a board. You've got certain limited costs that would affect the Register of Deeds' office, things like this and so my question is, does this bill guarantee that these costs would be included in the negotiation and the second question is, are, do you have statistics available to indicate whether this total cost would be still less than 1%?

SENATOR SIMPSON: Well, Mr. President, in answer to the question. First of all, I, I'm sure that they would take into account all of the costs which, which could be clearly shown to be a portion of the need for the collection of this tax and that their agreement would, in fact, reflect this and yes, the collection now exceeds the costs when they take the total 1%, yes.

SENATOR ANDERSON: Do, do you have any statistics on this where we, where we lump together the cost, for example, of the Assessor's office as it affects Lancaster County? The thing that I'm afraid of is that, I didn't have a chance to research this as much as I would like, but if we end up approaching a 1% or exceeding the 1%, then, then this bill would really not serve a useful purpose.

SENATOR SIMPSON: That's true and there has been a considerable amount of research done on both sides by the County Board and by the City officials and they find that there would be a considerable less amount in this and by doing this they could eliminate the City charging the service back to the County for the use of the data processing machine.

SENATOR ANDERSON: Senator Simpson, would you be willing to hold the bill until we, I would like to see some statistics on this. I think it might be possible to put these together in, for example, a day. Would you be willing to hold the bill until we could put these statistics together? I certainly would not oppose the bill if we get some indication that we're talking about less than 1%.

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