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SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, I'd like to ask Senator Frank Lewis a question or two.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: I'll yield.

SENATOR WHITNEY: I'm trying to look at this schedule that you put out and you pointed out that there would be great reductions in property tax in certain areas. Now could you tell me on the basis of your amendment now how many mills reduction there would be--let's see, what school district are you from?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Bellevue.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Bellevue?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: I thought you knew that.

SENATOR WHITNEY: How many mills reduction would there be in property tax in Bellevue?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: I believe everyone has the same chart and I used the 60 schools and I certainly put mine on there. This is certainly a poor district as far as assessed valuation is concerned and I know, Senator Whitney, that you have the ability to grasp figures as clear as I do so if you'd like to read that off the sheet that I gave you you could go ahead and do that.

SENATOR WHITNEY: It says .01668.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: That's right, that's 16.68 mills.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Okay, I'm not certain but what there might be a grammatical error there in that decimal point.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Well, numerical, okay.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Numerical error, but it's 16.68 mills. Now is that with your amendment?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Yes sir, that's right.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Okay, now let's go to...

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Could I comment on that?

SENATOR WHITNEY: Yes.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: That will bring the operating levy of my district down to 32 mills plus about 12 mills for our construction program and the two schools in Deuel county now have an operating levy of 22 and 29 so I haven't got down to you yet, Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: I was wondering why you didn't have that in here. I would like to have it because I think this must be an error in there because the property tax mill levy is about \$900 per pupil out there. Now...

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Is it 22 mills though?

SENATOR WHITNEY: I think it must be more than that. Now then Kimball County, then, at Kimball, Nebraska, the mill levy reduction would be--what is that? .0002. That's 2/10ths of a mill reduction in property tax?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: No it's not. Let me, I'm sorry, I was looking at the wrong page. What's the county again, I'm sorry?