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things look bad. In my county apparently we have a valuation of around 30-some per cent. In other cases it goes down to 20%. What does it, it doesn't mean anything, because there's no way in order to make an actual comparison to prove anything. Now when we get muddled into details, the worse thing you can do is before a committee hearing a bill is what--lean over backwards to be fair about anything. Answer all the questions and stimulate questions and pretty soon you get so bogged down in detail and a multitude of facts that nobody understands what they're talking about. Now this is not a matter for the city or the country, this is a matter of equality insofar as we've been able to do it on a partial basis. Who can say, my people say, well Omaha gets all the money and the people in Omaha say, well, the farmers of Scottsbluff get more money and you can't either one of us prove it. It's our stock and trade, we agree with them because that's the practical thing to accept. It's politically expedient. If there's one thing that people tell me when I come down here, go down there and get even with those burgers from Douglas County and the City of Omaha. That's the only instruction they really ever give me and they're absolutely wrong because this thing is being distributed in the area of about, paid in and paid out, about as equitable as the human mind can bring it about. Now everybody wants an advantage. That's human nature. Everybody's self interest prevails and everybody and every mind in this Legislature, but there comes a time when you have to accept the facts of life--this is the best you're going to get. Now if you want to go all the way, let's pass this. When Senator Warner brings his bill, as I understand is on the floor on the board or will be, then let's stand up and be counted. Are we really in favor of full funding? And then we can say because then it's going to take a number of months to put that into effect before the money's generated to do what it says they would like to do. So I'd hope you would adopt these amendments, pass the bill on and pass it. Because in my judgment, this is the best you're going to get. Everybody, Senator Whitney, as well as Senator Carpenter and everybody else, wants their advantage. You can bring out a slide rule and a pencil and you can figure anything you want to and come up with the advantage which you'll never admit. You only bring about the disadvantage. So this is a practical matter in which we've got to forget all of this detail and all of this analysis because it's only a self-serving, self-interest attempt to do what some people don't want to do and others do. I think it's a fair compromise and ought to be passed as it now is.

SPEAKER: Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Mr. President, I'm going to support the bill with reluctance because this bill does lower my taxes one and five hundredths of a mill. It also takes into consideration that it will lower the mill levy in Papillion about 12 mills and it will lower it in Bellevue about 16 mills. Senator Frank Lewis made a statement a while ago that is untrue but then maybe he hasn't been around long enough to understand the facts of this thing. This Legislature can go home tonight, pass a bill and say that the mill levy or the sales tax is going to 4% and if the Governor doesn't veto the bill with the emergency clause on it, it will be effective the day, three days from now. So to say that we can't finance education today and start the money coming in next January, or next September, is a falsehood. I think Senator Frank Lewis should understand and should read the Constitution and understand the statutes of Nebraska before he makes some of the statements that he makes. I was a little amazed when he put out the figures of all of the people that drew over \$20,000 in this state but then that's all right, I've heard it said many times that we do foolish things on the floor of the Legislature. As soon as I was elected last fall, I took a trip and I went through the State of Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas to talk about how they financed education.