

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay. Do you understand the motion? The motion is to suspend the rules for the purpose of taking up the kill motion on 742. All those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed vote no. The motion is the suspension of the rules. Record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 6 nays on the motion to suspend the rules, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried and the rules are suspended. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, so everybody will understand and I think Cal knows this, this is not "a sour grapes proposal because I didn't get the amendment". I have very legitimate concerns about going backwards. What am I talking about? Do you remember all the trouble and hassle? Every legislator in here kept saying, equalization is our number one problem. Remember when you were running for election? Equalization, we have to get equalization. We put enough pressure. We finally forced it. Now what are we doing? We are saying, well we don't have to do it regularly every year now. We will make the length of time twice as long between valuations and updating. Now you can say, well we have to do that because of inflation, because it is too much work. We put \$800,000 last year into that office over there so they would do this, so we would have a system. I just think if ever, if ever anybody has to start taking the blame for property taxation being fouled up it is the people sitting here, and if you are going to now say, she don't have to be done but every two years now, you are going to slip back into the old systems. You are never going to solve it. So irrespective of my proposal that we use one value as the Constitution suggests, I do believe you ought to keep it on an annual basis, or you are going to be back where you were, and one of these days, and I say this to my farmer friends and I am from a farmer district and I think I probably am involved in as much farm property as anybody, my farmer friends including myself, I give you warning today, and that warning is simply this, unless we play fair...unless we play fair, one day they are going to outnumber us. Omaha and Lincoln are going to have more. Those property owners in Grand Island and Hastings, Fremont, North Platte, Norfolk, one day they are going to discover, they are going to discover that we are a privileged class, at least we are privileged in here, and when they outnumber us it is all over. It is better to play fair and honest now and if property taxes on farms are going to be too high we make the proper adjustments rather than flaunt the Constitution. But certainly let's not