

the veterans rode on Washington one time too and that is where McArthur got his reputation. Now then, we are going to have to have it again and our job I think as elected officials to do a job that we are elected to do and it reminds me of a letter I got the other day and I will quote exactly the man who wrote it and he said, "You are elected to have guts and..." one other word and I won't repeat that. "Why don't you demonstrate it once in a while?" And I said why don't you send a copy of this to the Governor because he has to have some of it too. I am saying some of us get elected today and we are worried about election again tomorrow. That is unfortunate. There are too many people use this floor for election rhetoric and not for its intended purposes. We enacted a law and I think most of us admit that right now LB 2 is not necessary. Make everyone live under 7%. That is equity, not just some, and I'll tell you another thing. The cities and the counties will never be under a zero lid and I'll bet dollars to doughnuts on that. You know why? Because they get so much help from other sources of revenue they don't live off the property taxes. The only people that are going to suffer under this are going to be school systems but when Omaha gets only 24% of its money off of property tax do you think they are going to be suffering? No, and when Sarpy County gets most of its money from other sources than off property tax, do you think they are going to be under zero lid? No. I think Senator Johnson has the right idea. Knock off 2 and live under 7% like all subdivisions should be a part of and possibly including the State of Nebraska and I understand we try to do that. Here is your time to make a decision. We've wasted considerable time on 609 today and I wish I knew the rule book like Senator Warner does. I would have used that motion a long time ago but that is the trouble when you are naive like I am and you believe some people that this was going to get a cursory discussion and here we have spent ever since lunch time, virtually, on this issue and the bill sits over there on Select File and if you want to try to amend that bill on 627 on Select File, do it, but some of you don't have the intestinal fortitude to follow through with some votes that were asked of you and I know what the count is and I know how many people on this floor said yes but I watched them this afternoon on 609 and I have a feeling that a few people are crawling. I move for the adoption of the Johnson amendment.

SENATOR DE CAMP PRESIDING

SENATOR DE CAMP: Okay, Senator Johnson, you may close now.