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the formula, is making sure Omaha and Lincoln and certain areas get some more money but you are really not addressing the overall problem. It is a bandage, and if you want to do that, if you want to do that, then I think you have to agree on something else, 882 passes as is, because it is the one that keeps the rurals. I would suggest on the other hand, as I indicated to you earlier, 882 pass as is, the \$55 million be distributed on a hold harmless exactly as it pretends to be here, you take whatever surplus you have and direct it to the homeowner and you mandate, whether it is through the Constitution or some other method, that this Legislature redo the tax system, whether it is between now and next year or whether it is next year, but you make it so they have to get it done.

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left.

SENATOR DeCAMP: It is just important that you understand what is really happening and I guess I am concerned that Senator Koch is upset because it would seem he would want to tell us why he is doing this, he would want to have the column that shows Omaha, so on and so forth, if you follow the law. The law as it is now, we are going to lose tremendously, millions. That should be told to us.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: A request of Senator DeCamp. Senator DeCamp, I concur with you that it is unfortunate that we haven't had printouts here on the legislative floor to try to understand a little better what we are doing in variations on those printouts that are brought about by these various issues, but in your request that those be furnished to us before we try to arrive at a decision, I would like to have copies of those sent to my school superintendents and my school board presidents who are currently armed with only the no end to the rainbow version that has been mailed to them and which I must go home and explain to them that this is tax money just as surely as property tax money and that that explanation and those figures indicate how much income or how much sales tax might have been left in the pockets of our citizens had we not done what we are purporting to do but I would like to have my people at home get a little different version of what is coming up on this bill rather than just the "all felt" version.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: A question of Senator Vickers please.