

want to work their employees overtime. So, Senator Haberman, we need more time. We need more time to research and to study a long-term solution. I can guarantee you this, if I have anything to say about it we'll have a bill up that will address the long-term solution during this session and we will pass one. We will implement Amendment 4 that was passed by the people. But, Senator Haberman, if we don't pass anything, if we get stalled in this Legislature, at least we have this short-term solution for one year. If we don't get something passed by the first of April, then ag land values can go up, on an average of 60 percent. I think you'd realize what chaos this would be. There would be a lot of pressure on the county assessors, on the county treasurers, on the Legislature. So we need, I feel, to get a short-term solution passed in the next month. Getting back to the soil surveys, we are not changing anything. The previous law said that as soon as the counties have their soil surveys completed they would automatically go on, they would automatically go on line and use this. It isn't going to fluctuate that valuation that much. All we are doing is trying to get equalization, equalization in the counties, in the state. I think this is a good bill. I think it should be passed by this body.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Hannibal. And we have...excuse me, Vard Johnson, followed by Hannibal, Wesely and Haberman.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. President, members of the body, I would like to talk about the long-range solution to Amendment 4. I have been persuaded, as I have watched the Department of Revenue come before the Revenue Committee, that the Department of Revenue did not have a plan for implementation of Amendment 4. I believe that Amendment 4 was promoted by the Governor of our state to take the edge off the 1984 manual changes. I believe that the Governor saw that those manual changes were resulting in a very significant outcry on the part of farmers and ranchers in Nebraska, and the Governor, for political reasons, decided that Amendment 4 would be a wise move on his part. He called the Legislature into special legislative session, and this body then voted Amendment 4, giving it to the people.