

taxes and in this case even though it is for the good of Lincoln, or I think there would be an awful lot of people in our districts that will be helping pay that. At least I know while I'm living here during the session I'll be helping, contributing a little bit, so I think that sure it's tough, but it's tough for all of us right now. Instead of looking to increase taxes or find other options to raise fees and so forth, I, for one, am opposed to the idea of this bill and any other taxation bills. This year I think it's time that we took a more conservative road.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, especially Senator Rod Johnson, this is an issue for the City of Lincoln. This is not the state budget. There is an entirely different focus which apparently there is some confusion regarding this. We are asking for your support to allow the citizens of Lincoln to vote on this issue. We are not asking you to raise taxes. We are not asking you to reduce taxes. We are asking for the opportunity for the citizens of Lincoln to make that decision. Lincoln has some additional costs which no other city in our state has because we are the seat of state government. We have additional court costs, we have additional costs in many different areas because we are the state government seat. For that reason, as state senators, you should be sensitive to the wishes of the Lincoln citizens to have the option to make the choice. We may or may not choose to go this direction, but the citizens of our locality should have that option. But, without your help, you are denying them the opportunity to make that decision. I urge your support for LB 116.

PRESIDENT: Senator Landis. There are no other lights. Do you wish to make your final comment? Motion is to add the emergency clause to LB 116. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Motion before the house is the adoption of the emergency clause to LB 116. Please record your vote. The Chair will allow 20 seconds for the recording of votes on this measure. Motion is to add the emergency clause to LB 116. Please record your vote, if you wish to vote. Is there anyone else that wishes to vote on this motion to add the emergency clause to LB 116? The Clerk will record the vote. Senator Landis.