

we can't do it that way. Well, let them draft the bill, let them draft the bill. Better yet, let them sit on the floor here...

SENATOR LABEDZ: One minute, Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: The point I want to make is this. If you want to just do what Senator DeCamp is doing take Senator Vard Johnson's bill and do it up front, but don't compound the problem with this amendment and don't compound the problem for the local county treasurers who may have to deal with it administratively. It's a Pandora's box, administratively, can't be administered, Senator DeCamp, and you know it can't. But most of all I want to say once again that you cannot come before the body with two or three or four kinds of property tax relief bills. Let's take one approach and let's live with it and let's not come back with 38, 712, 662 and all the rest of them. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator Miller.

SENATOR MILLER: Acting Speaker Labeledz and members, we have a confusing issue here in that we are trying to approach two problems with one bill, that is, whether taxes on the houses are too high or to whether...which 712 tried to approach and I think that this amendment would approach that bill to alleviate taxes of houses which...that we know the feeling of the body against 712. I voted against it also because I think a more major problem is the fact that agriculture, land specifically, is carrying too much of the burden to support schools, not in Omaha, but in Howard Lamb's district and he was the drafter of this bill. In my district, in all rural districts the agricultural land is carrying too much of the burden. That's the major problem that we're trying to address with this bill. If we put, the amendment is to put a \$300 maximum limit on it, cap on it, we are back to addressing the homestead exemption bill, back to addressing house taxes. I would suggest that we separate those two issues. This is a 712 over again. We have voted on that already. I think that we should vote against this amendment, see if the original problem attacked by Howard Lamb is in fact a problem we want to address or not.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator DeCamp.