

held to that representation in my mind and all I see Senator DeCamp doing is attempting in his own way to deal with the very issue which the Governor and "Mo" Miller indicated to me they would deal with, and if all we're going to get at this point from the Attorney General's office are opinions of probable unconstitutionality without receiving from the Attorney General's office or the Governor's office the necessary amendments or legislation to be able to satisfy this representation, then I'm at a point of saying, I could not abide the resolution that I voted for. I could not in effect vote to provide \$20.5 million to the resolution of the Commonwealth claim. I could not do that because a material representation was made to me along the way about how the Lancaster County taxes would be handled. So I think the time has come for the Lancaster County delegation and the Governor's office to stand behind representation and not to take a piece of legislation, claim it's unconstitutional and then offer no solutions other than to expect the Legislature to belly up for the \$20.5 million.

PRESIDENT: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the body, a question of Senator Beutler, please.

PRESIDENT: Senator Beutler, are you available to answer a question? I think he is, Senator, go ahead.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Beutler, has the city or the county, to your knowledge, attempted to collect the assessments and the unpaid taxes on the Commonwealth property?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Haberman, the answer is yes and the basic answer is that the City of Lincoln and the county have treated Commonwealth no differently than they have treated any other developer or any other owner of property in this city.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Okay, thank you, Senator Beutler. The Commonwealth property has been delinquent in their taxes since 1977. Is this true of all of the other property in Lancaster County and in the City of Lincoln, that they had been treated the same way, those taxes haven't been collected either? You just said they haven't been treated different than anybody else. So what I am saying to you is