

my constituents either. But the fact is we still have to have services. It is still important to us that our children have access to education. It is still important to us that we have a mechanism out there that can provide financial counseling to those of us that have some real problems, and having to try to work out a way to deal with it. Now if you don't think that is important, then don't give us the tools to have it, and that is what this amounts to. Now when you look at the fiscal note, you are looking at the maximum amount under the current valuations or under the projected valuations right now. Now first of all, these are elected boards that live out there too. Most of them own property out there too. There are not necessarily going to go clear to the maximum just because it is available to them.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR VICKERS: Secondly, secondly, that maximum is based on the valuation now. Now I can tell you that valuation is going to continue to fall. That valuation is going to continue to fall. With \$1.65 corn, there isn't much of any other way it can go. The land values are going to continue to plummet. Now if you ascribe to the philosophy that as valuations increase, the levies had ought to come down, then I am simply asking you to be consistent and say when valuations drop, plummet, that the levy had ought to be able to increase a little bit in order to make up for it as well. That is the issue, pure and simple, and I repeat, I repeat, it doesn't affect those people in the Metropolitan Omaha area one iota. I will also repeat, it has no fiscal impact to the State of Nebraska, period, zero. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President and members, I would like to correct a couple of what I think are errors before I got into the close. That is why I wanted to speak again. One, well, Senator Marge Higgins, we talked this over and she mentioned that this would not affect Omaha and Lincoln but actually it does affect Lincoln because Southeast is included in that group which would be able to increase their levy the additional 5 cents per hundred. It does not affect Metro in Omaha but it does affect Lincoln. It affects all the other state colleges or community colleges. And the