

business as usual. It's not business as usual in rural Nebraska. So if you want to kill the bill, go ahead, but what you're telling us, what you're really telling us is that we are second class citizens and we can't have anything available to us and access to education is not one of the things we'd even ought to consider. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair would remind the membership that on the Speaker's agenda we move at eleven o'clock to resolution 335. Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President and members, it's not my design to delay the vote on this bill, but I would just like to call to your attention, and, Senator Nelson, I hope you correct me if I have this wrong, but I understood you to say that because of reduced valuation Central would lose \$382,000, \$382,000. Okay, but if you look at the fiscal note of the bill, if this bill passes, they will have the authority to levy an additional \$5 million in property tax. Well, we're getting a little bit overboard it seems to me to make up a \$382,000 deficit or reduction by allowing the board on a two-thirds vote to increase property, maximum property tax revenue as indicated in the fiscal note from the present \$6.9 million to \$11.9 million. So you can carry that through all the rest of them. That was Southeast, I'm sorry. Central is similar, \$6.8 million goes up to 11.6. So that is almost \$5 million it would go up. Southeast, which is here in Lincoln, property taxes could go up \$5 million, and Northeast up at the Norfolk area, property tax could go up from 3.4 million to 5.8 million. So you really can't say that reduction in farmland values or valuations is sufficient justification for this bill. That's minor compared to the huge property increases that this bill allows, almost double, \$5 million in two cases. So that's the reason I think this bill certainly needs to be looked at very carefully and I am supporting Senator Vard Johnson's motion to indefinitely postpone at this time.

PRESIDENT: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: (Response inaudible.)

PRESIDENT: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall the debate now close? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. The motion is