

back into the economy of the State of Nebraska. They are not going to put it in their pocket or hide it in the bank because they don't have that kind of money to put in their pocket or hide in the bank. They are going to spend it and that is going to make your sales tax receipts go up on everything else. It will not hurt Lincoln and Omaha because how many farmers go into Omaha and buy repair parts for their tractors and their truck or their tractors and their farm machinery. Basically none, they go to a local dealer. So I am trying to be fair, Senator Johnson, and I will take one more step if I have time, Mr. Speaker. At the present time, we are taxing the farmer, the law says that you don't have to pay a sales tax on an occasional sale. However, the Revenue Department has ruled that when a farmer is forced to sell his farm equipment, he is forced to, that is not an occasional sale and the state, in my opinion, is collecting illegally \$2 million in '86 and '87 and \$2 million in '87 and '88.

PRESIDENT: Your present time has expired, Senator.

SENATOR HABERMAN: I oppose the kill motion, Mr. President, thank you.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) May we have order in the Chamber please. Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Mr. President and members of the body, there have been a lot of statements made here this afternoon that some of them I will agree with and some of them I do not. I do know that we are going to have to make some changes in this area. If we don't make changes, we are going to lose a lot of business here in the State of Nebraska. If the State of Iowa, which now has exempted sales tax on equipment and repairs, and they continue to do so which I expect them to do even though they run into some binds there because of a cost factor, and there was more money lost than they expected, but many of our implement people, like Senator Remmers said, within the bordering of our state, are losing business because they are going to Missouri and Kansas at the present time. I did visit with an individual from my district this morning who said they bought a combine in Iowa and they saved \$3,500. Well, that is a good sign that we had better start taking a look at what is happening, and this is a one-step matter. It is just the repairs, that's all it is. The Revenue Committee has killed a lot of bills