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tax, they want the least of all is an increase in their property tax. I could go on and I could talk about a lot of other things. A lot of good things have already been said. I don't need to repeat those kinds of things. And I could mention that I just had handed to me here a nice handout about the Metro Area Transit. We could be looking at these things as parochial kinds of interests, if that is all we really were caring about today. But I think that we look past that kind of concern and look at the needs of the state as a whole, and of the benefits that we can derive as a state. Irregardless of whether or not we are from Omaha, Nebraska, whether we are from Hastings, or Grand Island, or where it is we are from, let's talk about the fact that we are all here to look at the budget, we're looking at the needs of the state, we believe in the future of the State of Nebraska, and I am going to vote for this override. I hope you will join me. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Beyer. The speaking order after Senator Beyer is Senator Rod Johnson, Lundy, Vickers, Schmit, Higgins, Pappas, Nichol, and Haberman.

SENATOR BEYER: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I rise to oppose the override. Yes. Senator Johnson I think spoke very clearly as to what the issues are. But I think that our community colleges have went far beyond what they were originally set up to be. They are in competition with our universities, which are our main educational source in the state, and also the private colleges and the fact that they are now getting into academic transfers, studies that I think went far beyond. In my particular instance they have not wanted to work with our high schools to help them in some of their educational...vocational-educational parts that the schools cannot afford to do. And I think that they have got to get back to what their basics were. With that, I would urge you to sustain the Governor's veto.

PRESIDENT: Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Question.

PRESIDENT: I guess we have had pro and con debate. Do I see five hands? I'll put the question to you. Shall the debate close? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Shall the debate cease on this line-item veto concerning the technical community colleges? Please record your vote aye or nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

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