

it in a derogatory or an argumentative way. I am just saying that as a senator from an urban area, and there are other senators, maybe one from Kearney or Hastings or Grand Island that would like to answer it, that represents both urban and rural, is it fair that we save the alleged family farm but we never saved the family grocer or the family druggist or the family shoe shop or the family insurance agency? Is it fair that if those people go in over their head in debt or because of economic times, like the shoe shops today tell me, the shoes that women buy are made with such thin soles you can't hardly repair them.

SENATOR CARSTEN: One minute.

SENATOR HIGGINS: And many of those people are going under simply because of the economic changes taking place and there have been innumerable bankruptcies in Omaha, again, in various forms of business, so I really and truly am looking for an honest answer to what are sincere questions. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Thank you. Senator Lowell Johnson, please.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question or two to Senator DeCamp, if I may please.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Senator DeCamp, will you respond?

SENATOR DECAMP: Yes, sir.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: For purposes of reaffirmation, I guess, is your amendment truly of the nature that it will repeal all the provisions of 999 and LB 3 as presented here today and, number two, and return to the conditions existing before LB 999? Question number two, is not a lot of the discussion today and the provisions of a bill mentioned today moot in view of the recently passed federal legislation providing Chapter 12 relief to bankruptcy?

SENATOR DECAMP: Okay, I would like to answer that. To the first question, is this simply a repeal of 999, the answer is absolutely, yes. If you were to adopt my amendment, it would be back as if you had never passed 999 and all the homestead rights, financing system, that were in effect before that would once again be reinstated. I repeat, it is simply a repeal of 999 and return to what system you had before, a system, by the