

substandard housing, and all the rest of that sort of thing. The most serious problem of this entire issue is the misinformation to the public. The public believes, the public actually believes, and farmers in particular believe, that with the passage of LB 999 originally, with what we are going to do here on LB 3, that the farmer can retain his homestead. Senator DeCamp has made it clear. It does not apply retroactively. It cannot be made to apply retroactively, will not apply retroactively. It is kind of interesting that the press has in my estimation failed to convey the true meaning of these bills, but it does not surprise me. If you read the morning's World-Herald you will find that it wasn't the Carter grain embargo that caused the whole thing in the first place. It had no impact whatsoever upon the prices we receive today. It has been all corrected...it has been all cleared up because the USDA said it had no impact. Well, I am not going to borrow Senator DeCamp's words but I think we all know that that is a lie, a plain flat lie, but it is printed in this newspaper as a fact. It doesn't mention, it only mentions Mr. Carter's embargo. It doesn't mention the five or six preceding embargoes all of which we discussed on this floor each time they occurred beginning with President Nixon through Ford on down the line. What they are saying here is nothing to worry about, you folks, it didn't hurt you a nickel's worth. They are saying, in effect, that dirty grain didn't hurt the exports. They are saying, in effect, that lack of living up to your contract didn't hurt the exports. They are saying it was all taken care of by the measures put into place by the administration to mitigate the damage. Nuts. But do you know what? Here it is being said not too much of a problem. I say it is a damn lie. It is unfortunate...it says, the unsigned article, speaking of the World-Herald, it is too bad that the World-Herald doesn't have to do like we do, put our name on things. I would like to be able to call the individual who wrote the piece of trash. Lies are lies, even though they are printed in the state's largest, most prestigious newspaper. But that is beside the point. The point I want to make here is this. We can argue, we can debate, we can equivocate.

SENATOR CARSTEN: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: But John DeCamp was right in the regular session when he said the passage of this bill would not relieve the problem. John DeCamp is right today when he says the passage of 3 is going to limit credit. I am saying that we have no choice because we made a kind of a deal to get back here to