

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes.

SENATOR CROSBY: Yeah, okay. I guess I'm just very sensitive to that particular thing right now because within the last couple of years our telephone bills have gone up in Lincoln and other places across the state because of two things the Legislature did, one was the hearing impaired...the hearing impaired network mechanism, and they added seven cents on to the phone bill. I've had complaints about that, believe it or not. But it's because...And the other one was the 911, which was up to 50 cents, which the Railway Commission finally set up to 50 cents, and the City of Lincoln, and our just...our past mayor who just went out of office was smart enough to pick up on that and get the 50 cents for the 911. And I voted for that originally because I thought it was for the small towns mostly, because they needed the help on 911. So that's why I'm listening very carefully to everything you people bring in here, because the consumer ends up paying these little things, and it doesn't sound like much at the beginning. But an elderly person, or even people in the middle who live on about the same income all the time, the 50 cents is \$6, the 7 cents is only 84 cents, but over a period of a year that adds up. The other thing I wanted to know about this particular...And, Senator Hall, you're like Senator Moore today, you're making all these revelations. Do you want us to pass the basket so you can pay your taxes in August?

SENATOR HALL: Senator Crosby, I'd be more than happy to accept any donations that come my way...

SENATOR CROSBY: Okay, we'll see what we can do.

SENATOR HALL: ...especially if they're tax exempt.

SENATOR CROSBY: The other thing, as this...I read it clear through, "Cap", very quickly, as you passed it out. I tried to read and tried to understand what you were doing. Does this translate into any help, from your point of view, for homeowners?

SENATOR DIERKS: I think rather than help it's a lack of hurt.

SENATOR CROSBY: I beg your pardon.

SENATOR DIERKS: Rather than help, it's a lack of hurt. I don't