

person made a mistake. So it just seems to me that if in one instance we are going to allow people to escape the statutes, then we ought to have a little more open mind about some other instances, and not all of Senator Warner's amendment is about an exemption. There is a one-time exemption there, but also part of the amendment has to do with changing the procedure permanently. So what goes around comes around on these things, and I mean that not in a political sense but in a philosophic sense. How, in the one instance, can you give back somebody that which the statute took away from them, and then in another instance not do so. I would like to hear from those who oppose the amendment how they distinguish the situations that I've discussed and how they are going to vote on LB 302, when that comes up, and for those who were here last year, how they voted on the Central Power and Irrigation District bill last year. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Madam President and members. I guess I would like to ask Senator Warner to yield, if he would, some questions. I have tried to follow some of the discussion, but I didn't hear your opening. Does this amendment apply just to Lancaster County, or does it apply to other counties as well?

SENATOR WARNER: It would be statewide, Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Okay, and as Senator Beutler said, it doesn't apply just to...and so the nonprofits across the state in the various counties that may have missed the deadline would have a chance to come back in and make their application and go through that process, and then Senator Beutler said you also changed the process. Can you describe that a little more?

SENATOR WARNER: Only to permit after this year...the deadline currently is January 1. The deadline will remain the same, but they'd have till February 1 beginning in 1994 for a late filing, but there'd be assessed a 10 percent penalty, 10 percent of the property taxes that would have otherwise been due as a penalty.

SENATOR WESELY: I see. I see, and notice is sent to all these individuals on an annual basis currently, is that right?

SENATOR WARNER: I believe it is every four years, Senator Wesely.