

PRESIDENT ROBAK PRESIDING

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...Committee next year strike this section from our rules. It is absolutely unnecessary to have this section. It is not required by the constitution. We may as well simply do legislative resolutions for constitutional amendments in the same way that we do resolutions for a commemoration of a high school athletic team accomplishment. It apparently has no more meaning than that. Yes, we do have a check out there of citizens voting, but I think before we provide to them a proposal that comes from us, we ought to continue to treat those in the bill throughout the entire progress of that issue through the session. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the Legislature. In response to Senator Coordsen's request to suspend the ru...or to not suspend the rules, I would tell the body that we have done this in certain occasions. And I want to tell you how this fits into those occasions. One, and, Senator Coordsen, if I can, I am going to draw out a little bit of what you said because you were talking about how would we feel if it was a constitutional amendment that dealt with ag lands or equalization or valuation, is that, that we wouldn't want to do this for that situation?

SENATOR COORDSEN: Well, actually, what I was referring to was something that was more drastic than that, which would still be available to us; a repeal of the property tax system in Nebraska, for example, rather than pieces of it, but I am talking about the process and had tried to create an image of an issue that would be different from this particular issue...

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Okay.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...relative to the process.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Because from a historical point of view I want to inform the body that we've done this, in fact, even in the worse manner, if we go back and look in 1984, we were in a special session where we had a constitutional amendment that