

followed by Senators Coordsen, Withem and Lindsay.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I...originally I was hesitant to oppose the bill because I...the amendment, because I could think of a number of reasons that you could maybe give some logic to it but then since we've had the discussion on germaneness, I've gotten a whole new level of curiosity. The fact that the rule permitted a required 25 votes to adopt amendments to amendment it would essentially go away, but, my concern, but now for lack of any better reason, I'm going to vote no till I more clearly understand what is happening.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Warner. Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Madam President...

SENATOR HALL: Excuse me, Senator Coordsen, I apologize, pardon me. There's an amendment to the Wickersham amendment on the desk. Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Withem would move to amend the Wickersham amendment. (Amendment appears on page 2173 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR HALL: Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. President, Chairman, members of the body, I originally was not going to get in the middle of the Wickersham, Jones, Coordsen, Schellpeper amendment controversy, but it beginning to raise my hackles a little bit to the point, one of the things I keep hearing is that these products are taxed both with sales tax and they also then become depreciable property and property tax is paid on them and that appears to be the justification. On the other hand this amendment deals only with agriculture property and I'm curious as to why agriculture property is the only area where we ought to be concerned about double taxation. I can recall a few years ago Senator Pappas, you may recall Senator Pappas, some of you that are old enough to remember Senator Pappas may recall him, used to introduce a bill that I would cosponsor dealing with rental companies who would pay the property tax on their inventories and they also paid sales tax on those items when they purchased them and Senator Lindsay made a remark earlier about adding a hard drive to a computer that maybe had been fully depreciated and then pay