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debate.

SENATOR CROSBY: Debate does cease. Senator Wickersham, would you like to close?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Madam President. I will be brief. I intend to withdraw the amendment before it comes to a vote. I know there has been a stampede in favor of it, and not wishing to get run over by the stampede, I do intend to pull it. However, I do intend to reintroduce this concept as a bill next year, and I hope that you spend some time this summer thinking about a tax program that costs \$56 million. And I also want you to give some immediate attention, once I withdraw this amendment, to a proposal by Senator Ashford which would cost...which would increase the cost of that program by \$16 million. I think that is what you intend to raise, isn't it Senator Ashford. Should we be doing that? I do not believe we should. The program is already too expensive. Senator Ashford wants to make it more expensive, and wants to make it more expensive for a purely local effort, absolutely purely local effort with a part of the state's sales tax base. Madam President, I wish to withdraw the amendment.

SENATOR CROSBY: No objections, it is withdrawn. I will raise the call. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Landis would move to amend the bill.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Landis.

CLERK: Senator, this is not an amendment...is it an amendment to the bill, is that how you want to treat it?

SENATOR CROSBY: We are back to...there are no further amendments? We are back to the Ashford amendment. I will start then with the list of people who want to speak on the Ashford amendment, beginning with Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President and members. Excuse me, I was having lunch while we were under call. I would like to make a request. Could I ask the Sergeant of Arms, Carl, are you back there? Carl, would you go out back and ask Mr. Pfeffer, who is lobbying for the city, if he could show you his receipts as a registered lobbyist. Better yet, Carl, don't