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I put on your desks several days ago a copy of an amendment to a bill which will soon be on select file which would implement a sa--a service tax. Now the service tax from a general statement picks up where the sales tax left off and adds the rest of the services on with some exceptions. The exceptions are made because through the experience of other states, it's wise to do that to relieve some of the opposition. Now it's a general figure as told to me by the Tax Commissioner which I'm sure is reliable in this case that a service tax as the amendment which was drawn by them at my request would raise about a third of what the sales tax now raises so if you want to vote these A bills with some belief you're willing to raise the money and I think we ought to, then this service bill would raise about \$30,000,000 more than has been anticipated and then I would think no one could criticize you for spending money that would result in the raising of either the sales or the income tax beyond what I have explained for this particular purpose so I ask that you pass the motion if you want to get in discussion of the bills on first column on final reading.

PRESIDENT: Well Senator Stahmer, do you have some input? We're still debating the motion here then to read all bills passed on final reading.

SENATOR STAHMER: Okay. That's what I want to ask Senator Carpenter. He meant all bills in that column did he not, both the general bill and the A bill? That correct? Thank you.

PRESIDENT: That's correct. Everything from 77 down through 506A.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Senator Whitney says because of the seven day requirement upon advice from the Clerk, there may be one or two bills that we will have to pass over, 588 as I understand, I think that's the number, because they haven't got the seventh day on there so I'm sure that Senator Whitney, at the time we come to those bills will make the motion to pass it over

PRESIDENT: Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, I want a clarification on-- does this include those in the second, third columns or just only in the first column? Now 58--

PRESIDENT: Only--only the first.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Only the first. Well then 588 would not be involved, Senator Carpenter. I thought at first your motion was to include everything, including the first three columns but since it is only the first column then 588 would not be involved.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. I'd be opposed to reading LB 77 and 77A and 235 and 235A as well as 454A because those bills have no chance of being signed by the Governor. They've been heard in committee. They will, they just as well rest on the board there until next session. We can take a look at how much money we've got and some of the other action and then perhaps we could, could read them next session but I, it would, it would be a mistake, I believe, at least in the case of 77, 77A to read those bills because they're