

crucial. I just want to address one other section that has received almost no attention. That has to do with the standard litter receptacle that a variety of business institutions and business locations in the state will have to provide. Now I want to be there next year, but more important I want you to be there next year when someone walks in from state government and says to the owner of a gas station, where's your litter receptacle. Where's your state approved designed litter receptacle? He'll say, I have a trash barrel there painted blue; it's got the word trash painted on the side. He'll say, I'm sorry that's not adequate. You've got to have a state designed litter receptacle. You've got to meet their standards and you've got to provide it at your cost. I want you to be there, each of you that votes for that particular provision, and say, I did this to you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cope.

SENATOR COPE: Mr. President, members. I support the kill motion for the simple reason that I don't believe the bill is workable. Number one, I just think that we're going to spend what money is left after the collection fees are paid for just no good. I agree with Senator Murphy, if we want to have the nerve to take it out of general fund, I'll support that. I think that's the way it should be done. Second point, I have heard no figures, Senator Schmit, on what the cost is going to be to collect the taxes. I think it is going to be about as much as the money that is taken in. It isn't the taxes that the manufacturer or the retailer is going to complain about. It is going to cost that person, I believe, 8 or 10 times the amount, maybe more and all the paperwork he must do or she must do to fill out reports. I just think it is unworkable. The idea is fine; we all agree. I just can't agree with the way that it is going to be handled. I agree with Senator Cullan.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature. Yesterday we passed an amendment that says, the Department may also allocate funds to political subdivisions for development of solid waste disposal sites and development of programs to encourage the recycling of all unusable material. That was the one that turned me off yesterday and still is. In other words, the money that we do raise regardless of what it is, if the Department wants to spend all of that money for solid waste disposals they can do it and we won't have any litter picked up. I think that amendment yesterday turned me off on the whole bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I don't know what it takes to turn anyone on or off on any kind of a bill like this. I think you have to recognize again we talked about the method of collecting the tax. Ladies and gentlemen, members of the Legislature, it costs money to collect the sales tax, no one objects to that. It's a real burden to have the sales tax figured in every time you make a sale. But the merchant does it because we've determined that it's an equitable way to handle the collection. It costs money to collect the income tax, but that's also handled expeditiously. It costs money to collect the property tax and we all know that. Those of you who