

solid waste issue. I think it is a preferable way to go. LB 527 is a bill which places a dollar assessment on the title and on the subsequent renewal, raises a similar amount of money but it is done in a manner which we believe is enforceable and which we think will probably do the job which both Senator Johnson and I want to do. We recognize that tires in landfills are a problem and there ought to be something done about it, but with Senator Johnson's bill, if I could be a little bit critical of it, it places virtually all of the burden on the recycling area on the tire industry. I don't believe that is quite equitable. I guess that I thought we had made some progress trying to resolve this issue both in committee and since that time, but I might have been wrong. I would hope that we would not suspend the rules. I think that to amend 639 with this proposal would certainly not be a smooth way to address the issue which we would like to address. I believe that the issue is more broad than what we have... would be able to accomplish under this instance and I think it would be a mistake. I think that oftentimes in the crush of the final debate, we try to accomplish that which we really have our heart set on. Sometimes we do it, and sometimes we don't do it, but frequently if we try to stampede an issue, we probably will live to regret it, have to come back and redo it. I have no particular pride of authorship but I think that just have to remind you that LB 527 was on consent calendar, and I happen to think it is a preferable bill. Senator Johnson did cooperate with other legislators and pull that bill from consent calendar. It came to the floor without a dissenting vote and I believe would have been the preferable way to address the issue. I am concerned that issues, such as this, should not be dealt with piecemeal, and it is easy to bring a bill to the floor. It is easy to tack it on another bill, but frequently we find ourselves complicating the issue rather than resolving it. I don't think that is a good way to legislate. The solid waste issue is one which is going to be with us for a long time. It has been with us for a long time. I do not believe it is necessary for us to try to resolve it within the last ten days of the session. I believe that we have several vehicles, I have no particular concern with allowing Senator Johnson to use his bill as a vehicle in another session as opposed to a committee bill or my own bill, but I do think it is necessary that it be a different type of bill, that we should not just single out one...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.