

receipts, that's not vague. He would purport to go outside the law and I guess that's what attorneys do, I don't know, I didn't take that class yet, but the...Senator Horgan goes on to say that the Governor doesn't support it. Well, Senator Horgan, look at the track record, wait 20 minutes, maybe he will. You know, this is a serious issue. I make light of it because it's one way I deal with pressure, but the fact of the matter is, ladies and gentlemen, it's a very fair proposal. It's a proposal that raises the money, it raises it from specific groups and, frankly, the people who pay it are going to be some of the same and the vast majority will be the same people who paid for personal property tax right now. And the arguments are coming from those people because they know that and then from the people who have to collect it because they don't want to do that. They haven't had to do that, it's dirty work, they don't want to have to do that. They are professionals, they don't want to have to collect sales tax for the state or the city, oh, far be it from them, far be it from them. The real dirty work gets done here, ladies and gentlemen, when we vote on amendments like this, when we vote on how we're going to deal with problems that have been created by the Legislature itself in many cases and dealt to us by opinions from the court as they see fit. That's not going to go away. This doesn't solve the problem, doesn't even purport to in the long term, but it is a short-term offering that's valid, that spreads the proposal across the board to various entities and has business, who receives the benefit from the opinion of the court, pick up the vast majority of the cost. I would urge you to adopt this amendment and then move on and deal with the various other amendments that are going to follow, I'm sure. Because if you don't, we'll be back where we were, we'll start all over again, we'll shift gears and say, but the occupation tax isn't good, or the depreciation is too high, or the income tax stifles economic development or the sales tax on a whole when it's increased also hurts the economic development or the income tax on individuals is not fair. The superbracket is going to drive all the wealthy out of the state. Pick a tax, any tax. There's a good argument for opposing it.

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR HALL: You've got a problem here and you're getting closer and closer to dealing with it in the manner that I first represented when we opened on this bill and that's that you are going to ignore it and you're going to let it fall back on the homeowner because they are going to pick up the cost when we