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and for grain farmers in the state. I've not seen one. If there is, let me know. Whether 20 percent is the right number or 30 percent, I don't know, but it's not a show-stopper for me, but 20 percent was what was agreed upon with the industry and it's certainly more than they're paying now. Because right now, outside of an application permit, they're not paying anything. So I think this is a step in the right direction. If you want it to be 100 percent fee based, if your amendment is passed, well, then I guess probably all bets are off. But to me, it's not a show-stopper, but it's not what we agreed upon in committee and I'm not going to support your amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. As the agenda states, at 3:00 we move on to General File, 2004 Speaker priority bills. Mr. Clerk, do you have any items for the record first?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, I do. An amendment to LB 1089 to be printed, offered by Senator Foley; and a new bill. (Read LB 1084A by title for the first time, Legislative Journal page 1069.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We now go to General File, 2004 Speaker priority bills. Mr. Clerk, first bill.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, LB 973 was introduced by Senator Landis. (Read title.) Bill was read for the first time on January 9 of this year, referred to the Revenue Committee. That committee reports the bill to General File with committee amendments attached. (AM2384, Legislative Journal page 480.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Connealy, I understand in the absence of Senator Landis, you've been authorized to carry LB 973. Senator Connealy, to open.

SENATOR CONNEALY: Mr. President, thank you. And considering the length of the description, that's probably why Senator Landis is gone today. But LB 973 contains the official request of the Tax Equalization and Review Commission dealing with the administration of its act. Generally, the bill makes most appeal time lines and procedures uniform throughout the