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that was the basic reason, Senator Murphy, that we did not want to intermingle any concept of LB 1.

SENATOR MURPHY: Well, in that context, may I say a tax is a tax is a tax and whether I pay it in sales tax or use tax or whether I pay it in property tax, to me is a fallacy. We love to have people not understand how much government is costing them so we don't like to have them have to go to the courthouse once or twice a year and place an amount of money there that they feel we really don't deserve. So we try to bury it under various indirect taxes, corporate taxes and sales taxes but the fact of the matter is if we are going to limit spending of the various subdivisions of government, to allow one subdivision this wide open door that grants them an unbelievable increase over the 7% that we are talking about, then I do believe we are making a mistake and accordingly I would move the adoption of my amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp. The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. The question is, shall debate cease on the Murphy amendment to the committee amendments on LB 285. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion passes. The debate ceases and, Senator Murphy, you may close.

SENATOR MURPHY: I have no closing. I just ask that we plug this loophole for one particular subdivision of government which I don't think we intended to create.

PRESIDENT: The question before the house is the adoption of the Murphy amendment to the committee amendment to LB 285. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Senator Murphy, what do you wish to do?

SENATOR MURPHY: Well I don't wish to do it but I guess I will have to ask for a Call of the House and a roll call vote.

PRESIDENT: I hate to see you have to do it but...

SENATOR MURPHY: That is a very small number of people voting.