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production and are agreeable with Senator Lewis to have some recreational mud pond there again. I really don't know why I always have to stand here and fight for agricultural purposes and quite often, fight against farmers who introduced that. I had an agricultural bill killed by a farmer in committee too. Well just think about it. If you want less land for agriculture production, if you want less land for taxation, if you want more recreation that nobody can pay for anymore, then just go ahead with this foolishness and vote for these amendments. I am certainly against them.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Warner, do you want to speak to the... We are on the Lewis amendment. Do you want to speak to the Lewis amendment?

SENATOR WARNER: I would like to speak after the Lewis amendment has been disposed of.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay. Senator DeCamp, do you want to speak to the Lewis amendment?

SENATOR DE CAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I want to speak against the Lewis amendment and reluctantly very strongly against the Schmit amendment. Well, because yours is worse. \$1,200,000. See you can say it real fast. It doesn't take very long. \$1,200,000. Now if we get in the habit of slapping on \$1,200,000 here and \$800,000 there, I am afraid the bank is going to go broke before we get very far down the trail here. I would recommend to Senator Schmit and Senator Lewis and all my colleagues, that maybe we ought to take the approach of finding a place to cut \$1,200,000. In all seriousness, you have got a serious problem out there with homeowners. Now I have said it before. You have heard others. It is a doggone lot more serious than most of you would like to believe and you had better be saving your pennies because before this session winds and grinds to a halt, I think we are going to have to face up to some significant rebate plan or something else that starts holding on to these homes for the individuals that are trying to live in them and if we cave in on this one, if we throw a million or two here because somebody wants to build a fish pond and somebody else wants to do this or that and then you reach a "compromise" that it is only going to go for cities, about the only thing you are really saying is, we want to spend money and we just don't care how it is done. We just don't care what the terms are. We want to spend. So I submit to you that it is better to start finding places to pick a million here and save and pick a million there and start building up a kitty, start building