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Was this an amendment in the committee or did...was there a separate bill on this?

SENATOR NEWELL: No there was not a separate bill this year. This bill was heard last year.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Okay, there was a bill last year identical to this, or I mean what this is, right?

SENATOR NEWELL: There was a bill to set tax rates, yes.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Yes. I guess I would ask the Chair, I would solicit information or I would ask the Speaker, is this amendment germane particularly considering the intensity with which we discussed germaneness here the last three or four years, since...germane from the standpoint I guess I would ask intent of the legislation and so on and so forth. It seems to me to go off in a whole different direction but maybe I am reading too much into it, I don't know.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator DeCamp, you asked for a ruling on germaneness?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Yes.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The amendment and the amending bill both deal with 77-2715, 77-2703. As we have ruled in the past, this goes along that line and therefore it is germane.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Okay, appreciated that, Mr. Speaker. Then basically for germaneness as long as we are in the same chapter we are pretty safe. Okay, appreciate that. Might see that in the future sometime. But anyway, Mr. President, then I would speak on the proposal and I would suggest that maybe Senator Newell has a good idea. Maybe it is an idea whose time has come in another bill, on another day and another hour, but I doubt that this would be the time. And for that reason, I think we ought to just vote on the bill on Final and take this concept up separately.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit. Do you pass? Senator Schmit, do you wish to be heard?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I have no problem with voting on Senator Cullan's (sic) amendment if it were here in the form of a bill which had been advanced by the Revenue Committee and was on the floor for discussion in the normal manner. I believe the amendment