

that probably won't cut it. Now you get above 16, and I don't know exactly how much, whether it is 17, you do... you are going to then trigger the sales tax increase. We do know things are changing superfast...superfast. Originally, I reminded you that we were going to increase to 16 percent, remember we were going to increase to 16 percent so we would have \$15 million extra for some programs that the Appropriations Committee wanted. Now we want the increase to make up shortfalls and now we are hearing that there are going to be even more shortfalls. I don't know what is going to be the economic situation come about one month from now when we are really dealing heavily with the bills, but I would hearken you back to a special legislative session and my closing arguments that lasted three minutes that I am going to pass out to you some day when everybody was pressing me, why are you holding firm and pushing the Governor's proposal? Why are you opposed to increasing taxes back in the Special Session? I said something to this effect, I am willing today to follow the leadership of the man who has been elected. He gave us a plan, I will try to pass it and we did. That plan was guaranteed if we would go with certain numbers, which by resolution you just did, no tax increases, no tax changes despite Reaganomics and everything else, despite the changes at the federal level. I said in my closing before we advanced it, I hope it is right, I think it is wrong but if it is wrong, let's be ready to do the hardball stuff of really some dramatic things in here to help this economy. Merely increasing taxes, 2 cents on cigarettes, \$20 million on corporations, a little over here, a little over there, 1 percent on personal or 5 percent or whatever, merely increasing taxes at every cotton pickin' level isn't addressing the economy. It doesn't create jobs. It doesn't make people pay taxes if they are unemployed. Start thinking about things that put people to work. And, yes, yes, Senator Kahle, the other day when you said, why is DeCamp acting so cotton pickin' conservative, or words to that effect, when he is out here sponsoring a \$500 million road building program? Because \$500 million in road building right now puts people to work. It starts having taxes come in to the Treasury. It starts generating economic activity. Yes, yes, Senator Kahle, you have uttered the terrible word, it's a Democratic approach. But I am going to tell you something, terrible as it sounds, we good, solid Republicans better be thinking about possibly some of these horrible Democratic approaches that worked about 50 years ago and indeed I know all the faults of expanded government and everything, but public works programs did put people back to work, they did generate activity, they did take them off the welfare rolls, they did take them off the