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SENATOR BURROWS: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, this is a very clear and simple amendment and a clear choice for everyone in this body. It is one and a half million dollars to shove back on real estate taxes and property taxes or pay out of the general fund. If we allow that million and a half to be pulled out, we are placing it directly on the property tax system. It is that simple. The local subdivisions are going to operate on their 7 percent increase and if we pull this \$7 million, we are making that choice. I urge you to support Senator Newell's amendment and restore this intact because even with the full \$70 million the gross rate of the real estate tax will be at 9 to 11 percent. I do not think that the taxpayers of this state will accept that preference that apparently seems to be going on in state government to pull an income tax cut off this year and shove it on the real estate system. This is one and a half million that you have the clear choice on, which tax system you are going to put it on. I recommend that we put it into the general fund system and pass this amendment, not shove it onto the real estate system.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Newell, do you wish to close?

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, I would like to have a Call of the House if I could.

SENATOR CLARK: Call of the House has been requested. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 9 ayes, 0 nays to go under Call, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The House is under Call. All legislators will check in, please. Sergeant at Arms, can you get them all checked in? Everyone get back to their seats, please. All unauthorized personnel will leave the floor. Will everyone check in, please. Senator Marvel is the only one excused, so we ought to have 48 lights up here. Could we get Senator Pirsch to check in, please. Senator Chambers, Senator DeCamp. Senator Wagner, is he here? Senator Cullan. We are looking for Senator Cullan and Senator Wagner and then we will have them all here. Now we are looking for Senator Cullan. Senator Newell. Senator Newell, do you wish to close? You have 47 of the 48 here.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, you know it distresses me greatly...if I could have a little help.

SENATOR CLARK: I can quiet them down but I can't make them listen to you.