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them tax money as far as our industry is concerned, because if they elect to be retailers, they will pay on the retail price which is slightly higher than the wholesale price, not a heck of a lot higher. It's way too much, Roger, I heard you. And so I'm all for this bill. It will really clean it up the way a contractor, retailer can pay his taxes, his sales tax. And, with that, I want to give Senator Coordsen the rest of my time.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would have a question of Senator Lamb if he would respond.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lamb, please.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Lamb. It's been my experience in the lumberyards and hardware, plumbing operations that I have done business with in the past that for the material cost they charged the sales tax on the retail value when they billed me and then added the labor on after that and then I was billed for the total. Will this allow those businesses to operate in the same way that they have been?

SENATOR LAMB: Yes.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Okay, thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Pass.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Hefner. Senator Conway.

SENATOR CONWAY: Mr. Speaker and members, LB 714 was not originally my bill and I know that Senator Lamb and Senator Robak, both, by virtue of the concern that was brought to them initiated it but I did think that LB 714, as I was perusing looking for something to do that was important relative to a priority bill, was brought to my attention that short of this being designated as a priority bill probably would not be addressed this year as many other pieces of important legislation happened to fall by the wayside as time goes on. But as this was brought to my attention, I did recognize it as