

when people stand on this floor and talk about we have to be tight in the types of amendments we offer to a bill, we have to be concerned that it's germane, that it conforms to the main thrust of the bill. The main thrust of 89 is not to raise the sales tax, so where were all of you people, all of you who voted with the Speaker in ruling certain other amendments were not germane? You sit there quiet, quiet, because the whole germaneness question is one of tactics, not of integrity of the system. You all know that and I know it but I will say it and you won't. And you will vote that an amendment is not germane if you don't like the amendment. So every time that question comes up I'm going to talk again about the hypocrisy of the entire proceeding. On this particular issue, if you are going to adopt Senator Schmit's amendment then it should go for the purpose that I'm sure the public will be misled into thinking that is envisioned, property tax relief, and to fund a program that otherwise wouldn't have the money available. I, at least, want some things in the record and I think they are there. I believe my amendment today is consistent with the position I took yesterday in being opposed to pulling that bill out of the Appropriations Committee. But if you adopt Senator Schmit's amendment then I think this ought to be attached so that the money just goes for the two purposes that people have discussed.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I will ask for a call of the house before the vote is taken.

PRESIDENT: All right, a call of the house has been requested and the question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We're voting on whether the house should go under call or not. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The house is under call. Will you please return to your seats and record your presence. Those not in the Chamber, please return to the Chamber so that we may proceed. There are three excused. Senator Haberman, would you record your presence, please. We're looking for Senator Nelson and Senator Hannibal. There is Senator Hannibal. Senator Bernard-Stevens, will you return to your seat and record your presence, please. And Senator Conway. Thank you. Now if you will return to your seats, we can begin. Senator Landis, would you return to your