

devil does a bill related to increasing teachers' salaries as a part of the education law, part of the school law, Chapter 79 of our statutes, how in the devil does that relate to the Highway Trust Fund that's a part of this amendment? It baffles me. I would like to hear other senators' expertise and comments on this because I think if this kind of amendment is ruled germane and this is allowed to stand, then I think it just opens up all kinds of abuses as far as designated particular tax increases, whether it be sales tax or property tax or income tax, to be germane to any of the appropriations bills that we discuss in this body.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator McFarland. So that you will know, Senator McFarland and others, how we do this on the germaneness discussion, if you turn your light on, you are allowed to talk once, however, Senator McFarland will be allowed to close on the challenging of the Chair. Senator Lamb, you are next, followed by Senator Moore. Senator Moore, do you want to go ahead, I don't see Senator Lamb at the moment.

SENATOR MOORE: Mr. President and members, I rise to support the Chair in its germaneness ruling. I mean, based on the way that the President ruled is the fact that I think he basically said there was a line here about property tax relief and since there was property tax relief talked about in the bill the funding source was legitimately fair game. I think he's right there. Now some may argue that...and I'm against the amendment so I wish I could agree with you, Mac, but I don't think I can because, to begin with, the green portion of this bill, the green portion of the bill talks about property tax relief. Rightly or wrongly, I think wrongly, it should never have been in there but it does talk about it and if you cannot amend something back into a bill that was originally there, I think it has to be germane because it was there, it was in the bill. Rightly or wrongly, it shouldn't have been in there. And I think it's only, as far as subject, you're talking about dollars, I think when you talk about spending dollars the same subject is where the dollars are going to come from, you may be correct, on any given bill maybe you should have a funding source. I would have...be too much opposed to that, myself. I think a lot of times if we thought about how we had to pay for it, our vote would be differently, there's no doubt about it. Something of this magnitude, talking about a funding source is, obviously, within the subject. Now talking about property tax relief is, obviously, germane to the bill because the bill, in