

little scheme to play because they could enact the mechanisms, the tax giveaways, that they had planned, such as a tax giveaway for corporations, a tax giveaway for capital gains, a tax giveaway for airplanes. I can assure you that this little fairy tale and this little story I am telling you is not going to have a happy ending if this bill passes because the unholy alliance that has been created between the Revenue Committee and the Governor's Office, and that unholy alliance will not last, that marriage is not made in heaven, and I can tell you when that divorce is going to occur. If LB 773, in its present form, that divorce is going to occur about April 15th of next year when the people of our state pay their state income taxes. When they compare on April 15th, 1988 their '87 taxes to the state income taxes they paid in 1986, and they find that their taxes for the '87 tax year under LB 773 significantly increased, at that time, the marriage between the Governor's Office and the Revenue Committee is going to be dissolved, and you are going to see at that time, if LB 773 is passed, a lot of finger pointing and blaming one another, just as occurs in a divorce, because you are going to have the Revenue Committee saying, well, it wasn't really our fault; 773 wasn't our fault, it was really the Governor's Office that instituted this tax plan upon us and forced it on us. We had no choice. And you are going to see the Governor's Office turning around and saying, it wasn't us, it was the Revenue Committee that forced this tax plan upon us and it resulted in the tax increase. And then each will be blaming one another when, in fact, the real culprit is both of them because they have entered into a conspiracy to deceive the people of our state into thinking that this is a revenue neutral or revenue adjustment or a bill that is not going to increase taxes." Those words were spoken two years ago, in 1987, on the floor of this Legislature. No one, apparently, is listening and it is interesting to hear the debate now of people saying, well, that darn Vard Johnson. You know, he misled us with that fudge factor and we didn't know what we were doing. No one was listening to my fellow colleagues who were opposing this bill. No one was listening to what we were saying at the time, and now we are back here eating humble pie trying to say we didn't know what was going to happen with 773. I think that that just distorts and misleads and tries to deceive the people of our state even further, to try and excuse yourself from the vote that you cast back at that time. And so I have proposed this amendment which would, in effect, put the super bracket on. It is similar to the one that Senator Wesely put on. It would require that the upper income people pay their proportionate