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LB 47, 66, 372, 395, 401, 506  
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kind of interesting, someone mentioned the Syracuse Tax Study once or twice. No one talks about it anymore, no one talks about it. I opposed the tax study because I said we would not follow it. We have not even looked at the bloomin' thing, and so here today we write new tax policy. We are setting up a whole new system which will come back to haunt us for many years. Ladies and gentlemen, I have the advantage over many of you. I am not going to have to be around here when the chickens come home to roost if you do not adopt this amendment, but the younger members of this body will be here and you will have to answer for the failure if you do not adopt this amendment. I suggest you adopt the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and I do sign LB 506, LB 401, LB 372, LB 66, LB 47, and LB 395. Discussion on the Schmit motion to return the bill, Senator Hall, followed by Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I rise in indifference to Senator Schmit's amendment because, as you know, I have not supported LR 2CA and I won't support it should we read it yet today into Final Reading, but those are for other reasons than the amendment that Senator Schmit has before us at this time. The amendment would, basically, become a mini-uniformity clause, if you will, with regards to the valuing of agricultural land. It I don't think is an attempt, the first amendment that we are dealing with by Senator Schmit, in any way to harm LR 2CA, and I think it does exactly what he says, and that is spells out the issue of how the classes of agricultural will be treated. I think it is much more though than just clarifying language. Senator Schmit, would you yield to a question?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, Mr. President.

SENATOR HALL: Loran, the issue would still be one that the courts would and probably will address sometime in the future and my question is, will, even with your amendment that you have before us right now, will...the sales assessment ratio is still going to be a key factor in that determination with regard to the valuation and the, I guess the, oh, the value that is placed on the land that comparisons are made by the court, would it