

here shortly. I don't know if I will get my light back on in time to talk to it, but with that, I am going to wait and listen to what Senator Johnson has to say about this amendment because I think his amendment that he has to offer is very similar to the one that we have before us that Senator Schmit proposes. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Rod Johnson, please, followed by Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President, members, as I commented on the Wesely motion to bracket, there were a couple of amendments forthcoming that I would speak to. This is one of them that actually I am not opposed to, per se. I think that the language reflected in the bill or in the constitutional amendment is there that covers this, but in order to delineate it in a way in which it is specifically clear, especially when we are dealing with subclasses and subclass uniformity, then I don't have any problem with that. I would, however, suggest to the body that, as Senator Hall has indicated, I do have an amendment forthcoming that does primarily the same thing. What we...this amendment that I was ranting on a little bit ago about being an 11th hour amendment that came from Mr. DeCamp is the one that you are looking at right now, 1407. We really didn't have much time in order to analyze what the amendment did. We knew what the concept was but we went to the Bill Drafter's Office and we asked Mary Sommermeyer to please analyze the amendment, and if there were any revisions to that amendment, please let us know. The handwritten amendment that you have on your desk that I gave to the Clerk basically is the revision that Mary Sommermeyer sent down to us. I would suggest we substitute that amendment for AM1407 that Senator Schmit has. It accomplishes what Senator Schmit wants to do which is to make sure that there is uniformity among the subclasses, that we don't have a "Initiative 300" in tax policy as it relates to subclasses of land. There is concern I mentioned on Select File that we may be in a situation where this Legislature could determine at some point in time that corporate landowners are bad and that family farmers are good and that we could tax corporations at a higher level or higher rate than the family farmers. I don't think this Legislature would make that tax policy decision but I can't tie the hands of the Legislature. In doing so, I think that there may be some tax law that would prevent that from happening but to basically appease the folks out there that might have concern with subclass uniformity, I would suggest that my