

will be. Hopefully, we'll be able to fund a property tax rebate in the area of \$94 million again next year. But I'm satisfied this year to take it one year at a time, give back \$94 million to the homestead...for the homestead exemption, next year come back, if there is additional revenue at that time, let's give that back to the homeowner once again. Thank you.

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Mr. Clerk, do you have anything for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion by Senator Chambers to reconsider a vote taken yesterday. That will be laid over, Mr. President. Health and Human Services Committee reports LB 462 to General File with amendments. I have amendments to be printed to LB 769 and LB 279. (See pages 1911-12 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have an amendment to LB 84. Senator Bernard-Stevens would move to amend the bill. (Senator Bernard-Stevens' amendment appears on page 1912 of the Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Bernard-Stevens, please.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. President. In following up on the statements I made earlier, I'll at least put the membership on a vote, and I'll make sure, hopefully, it will be a record vote, and we'll put ourselves, at least, on the line. If we are truly going for significant property tax, which LB 84 or LB 809 are, it is significant property tax relief. And I understand Senator Schmit's argument, it may be deleted a great deal because of LB 361, and I understand that, and he's absolutely correct. But to just go for one year and then to put off any future funding mechanism for an entire year and say we'll look at it later is once again skipping a beat and saying we're going to dodge that bullet, we're going to be able to come up with some positive things here, say, look at what we did. But we again dodged the bullet, and that bullet is in order to get significant property tax, we've known it since the Syracuse Study, and I think members knew it way before then, you have to broaden your tax base to do it, you have to have enough money and enough ways to support that to do it. So my amendment is very simple. It would once again put it to a two-year program, LB 84, and we'd have a half cent sales tax increase in order to fund the second year. It's quite simple. I think I know what