

do that, and to be honest, as a new "Repelican", I am shocked at my leader for going along with this. I am proud as punch of her for being able to bring all these men over here to heel in this fashion, proud, and I want to call her by her initials, K.O. which stands for knockout. That is what she did this time. But she is wrong in being in favor of this so-called compromise, and in this we are talking about it in gentle terms. Wait till the public becomes aware of it and they will rip it to shreds as well as those whose handiwork it is. Senator Hefner mentioned that I have never brought forth a piece of legislation to give property tax relief. Absolutely right. A lot of people have not done that. Others have offered it and it hasn't gotten anywhere. Mainly because there has been no serious comprehensive consideration given to the entire taxing structure of this state, and there never will be, because the will is not there to do what is just. There will always be the selecting out of certain interests, Senator Hall, that will gain the benefit of any so-called relief bill that the Legislature enacts. It is like a balloon, Senator Moore, a long balloon. If you squeeze it on this end, it pops out somewhere else.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And the only way you can pop it out for the big ones is to deny anything to the little ones, and that is the way the Legislature functions. I would venture to say that Baron Hefner would get enough back under this bill to reimburse all the renters who will gain nothing under this bill and whose rent will not be reduced apace based on what the landlord would gain in tax relief. I would like to ask him a question in the few seconds I have. How do you like that for a bargain, Senator Hefner, and I will then support the bill? Would you do that? Selective listening, he didn't hear. I am in favor of the bracket motion.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. And the question is, shall the bill be bracketed until Monday, May 8th? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? A record vote has been requested. Record, please.

CLERK: (Read record vote. See page 2123 of the Legislative Journal.) 8 ayes, 32 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Motion fails. For the record, Mr. Clerk.