

leadership. And here Senator Withem wants to say four individuals from the Legislature got together over lunch and discussed a legislative matter as though they,...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...by themselves, could arrive at this finely crafted amendment that is now the bill. Without my leader it could not have been done. And I'm glad to see that these people are going to recognize that stellar leadership, and I want them to get off the case of my leader and stop trying to saddle her with all those accusations of going back on her word, not making this the year of the taxpayer and not delivering on her promises. When the senators had it their way they had every manner of unconstitutionality in their bill. Now that my leader has come along and provided that leadership, without which none of this was possible, we have something that might pass constitutional muster. And I'm hoping that wherever Senator Withem is he'll come back here and give two or three mea culpa's and correct the record. And with that having been said, I hope that you will adopt my amendment, because although my leader has exhibited exemplary leadership, she was incorrect in supporting this kind of language. So let us make this good package even better.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is the return of the bill to Select File. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please. Record vote has been requested.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on page 2133 of the Legislative Journal.) 8 ayes, 24 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails. Anything else on it, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to return the bill. (Chambers AM1711 appears at the bottom of page 2133 in the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, this is an amendment of substance, and I want to make that crystal clear. On page 2 of the amendment, in line 3, I would strike the words "except motor vehicle valuations". Since this bill is professing to give this tax relief, there are a lot of