

understand it. Lawyers and bankers in the crowd could maybe do a better job but I don't think there are that many of them there that need that kind of an explanation. It was my understanding there would be an amendment that at least on General File was agreed to by most of the banking and holding company interests in the state which changed the bill from 12 percent to 15 percent to 1 percent a year for the next three years, from 12 percent up to 15 percent. Here is Loran now. Loran, if...we are just talking about 11...Loran, we are talking about 1146, and it was my understanding there was an amendment, and I just was talking about that amendment. If you have it with you, I assume we would have to talk about the amendment first, Mr. President, and I would yield the rest of my time, then, now that Senator Schmit is here, to him to explain it. Loran, I did explain that the amendment simply, rather than...it was an agreement reached by most of the holding companies and banking interests that said rather than going from 12 to 15 the first year, it would provide for 1 percent per year up to 15 percent in three years, and I will drop it at that, and let you take over.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit, would you continue on, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, thank you, Senator Lynch. I appreciate your taking the amendment at this time. I appreciate the explanation you have given. The original bill, as you know, called for an increase from 12 to 15 percent, and that was to take place on January 1 of 1991. This bill, as you have indicated, provides for a 1 percent increase per year; 13 percent to take effect January 1, 1991; 14 percent on January 1, 1992; and 15 percent on January 1, 1993. As you know, the savings and loan industry has gone through some rather profound changes. There are a number of institutions, some of them substantially larger than some of our banking institutions, which are going to probably be for sale, and in order for one of our larger banks to be able to buy those, or to participate in the purchase, it is important and it is necessary for us to increase the deposit base that they can have under their control. I would be glad to answer any questions that you might ask; but if there are no questions, I am sure there are others who will have some comments, and I will speak again later.

PRESIDENT: Senator Landis, did you wish to speak about the amendment, please?