

claim tax exemptions through the potential loophole created by the recent Supreme Court decision. Never mind that this mad scramble for tax exemptions was the reason for all the worry about the loss of \$220 million in local tax revenue and thus the reason for this special session. The chamber can see the dangerous dollar signs lurking on the other side of change. If they win additional property tax exemptions, they might lose financially. The business community would rather face the known (the taxes they now pay on business equipment) than the unknown of the alternatives (potentially more costly increases in corporate income tax or the much-despised sales tax on services.)" You all know, even Senator Johnson, Senator Schmit and the other farm senators, that this is a valid amendment...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...if we were here to do what the Governor said by her proclamation we were sent to do, if the purported reason behind LB 1 is the actual reason. But we all know that none of those things are true. This is a Barnum and Bailey world, just as phony as it can be. We all know it and I just want to say it. I feel that I have said it and somebody had passed me a note which I'm not going to read, but they might utilize it when they speak and I think you'll get a chuckle from it. But I am asking that you seriously consider this amendment, and, Mr. Chairman, before I sit down, I'd like a call of the house.

PRESIDENT: Okay, the question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 17 ayes, 1 nay to go under call, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The house is under call. Will you please record your presence. Those not in the Chamber, please return to the Chamber promptly and record your presence. Senator Smith, would you like to record your presence, please. Thank you. Senator Labeledz, would you like to record your presence, please. Thank you. Senator Dierks, would you like to record your presence, please. Thanks. Looking for Senator Landis, Senator Schmit, Senator Scofield. Now we are looking for Senator Schmit. Did you ask for a roll call vote, Senator Chambers?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, but now that you mention it, I would like