

better not do it because we didn't think the body was ready for a tax on services. Now this amendment might not be popular with some segments, but it's something that I think it spreads it out to the whole area. It's something that they're not going to absorb themselves. They are going to pass it on. Now I think there is 13 or 14 amendments up there. If we don't accept something like this, we just as well go into special session because we're not going to get together on anything this evening or this session. This is something I think that everybody can probably live with. It's acceptable and it should be acceptable to this Legislature because it is a solution. Even though it may only be a one-year solution, it may be able to be part of the long-term solution, but it's a solution this evening, and if we don't accept it, like I say again, we just as well go into a special session, but this is one solution I think we can all live with. Senator Schimek wants a little bit of my time. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Mr. President and members of the body, Senator Hall, I think that you have finally hit upon something that I feel that I can support. I think that I sense the tide is turning here and we may have found a temporary solution. The beauty of this is, Senator Hall, that this crisis situation that we're in may provide the impetus for a long-term consideration of what you have proposed tonight. And so I would just say thanks. I think you've presented us with a good idea and I intend to vote for it.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, I, too, I guess want to join the long line. I see this as one of the more equitable solutions and I see that business and ag are taking their fair hit on depreciation. I took a survey in my area. The preference was sales and income and tax on services and that was by far, and I commend them for picking these out, and to me, this is about as fair a solution as we can come up at this point. Senator Abboud and then Senator Ashford wanted a second of my time, so I'll give it to Senator Abboud first.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Thank you, Mr. President, colleagues, I have