

power to destroy. So when you are going to selectively use the taxing power and pretend that you're doing something which is equitable when in reality you're hurting people who can't stand to be hurt any further, then in a sense you're destroying something which is of value to them. If a person were to obtain a judgment in a worker's comp case and you taxed that judgment, you're not hurting the lawyer. The lawyers are going to take a chunk out of that judgment anyway. You are going to hit some of the smaller people who I know at this time don't really count because something has to be put in a bill that can be called a solution to the tax problem. But I have always been concerned about very broad terms and categories which lack definition. What are legal services? What is the practice of law? Courts have said the practice of law consists of doing those things that lawyers do. So what are legal services? Legal services are legal services and the gross amount derived from those legal services constitute the gross amount with certain exceptions that exist in the law. That is crazy. Andrew Jackson had said something about this John Marshall that I told you about. He was President when I was this small boy. Andrew...the court had given a decision that Andrew Jackson didn't like relative to some Indian treaties. Andrew Jackson hated Indians and made it crystal-clear he wanted to violate treaties. Said you shouldn't have had them in the first place but since you've got them you don't have to obey them because the ones with the power determine which laws are to be enforced. John Marshall made a decision that Andrew Jackson didn't like. President Jackson said John Marshall gave his opinion, let him carry it out. The Supreme Court of this state has rendered opinions that you don't like, let the court carry them out. The court can't do anything. With the insane attitude that exists in the Legislature right now, the attitude of Andrew Jackson ought to be adopted. I agree with Senator Schmit that we need time to function as a responsible Legislature and the recommendation will never be accepted. But we should recess for about a month, and as a Legislature calmly, more calmly than we're doing now, deliberately, more deliberately than we're doing now, look at a comprehensive proposal to deal in the short term and then in the long term with the tax problem. That is not being done. If we took 30 days to work something out, there is not going to be irreparable damage of any kind to any interest of the state or the people at large. But if, we, in haste, put something in the law, we could cause some damage that would be irreparable to some people. I remember that when we were talking about judicial redistricting, many people stood on the floor, a