

that the rates aren't going to go down. Well, they haven't so far, have they? Can't argue with that because every time I've brought the bill in or others have brought the bill in it's been pooh-pooed away. Nobody wants to deal with it on a, I guess, an intelligent level because that's new taxes that are out there. Maybe the best thing to happen is to have the whole thing come down around our necks, just have the whole shooting match fall down because until then the track record on this bill is that we're not going to deal with it in a very forthright manner. The Abboud proposal, again, doesn't strip any of the present funding out of the bill, it just adds to it, adds to it in a specific way when he talks about cosmetic and barbering, plumbing, insurance commissions, repair to tangible property, telemarketing, construction, computer programming and vet services. But all it does is add to the total revenue that's raised in the proposal and that's because Senator Abboud, along with a number of others, are opposed to the amendment that deals with the accounting, the attorney, the architect, the engineer and the printing sales tax on services that was adopted. Well, that's understandable, I guess, for some people. There's always going to be somebody who is opposed to a tax. Some people are opposed to every tax, consistently. We're getting closer and closer to doing nothing.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hall. I will now recognize Senator Will, followed by Senator Withem, Landis, Labeledz and Schellpeper. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Madam President. I rise to oppose the Abboud amendment. As I stated when I spoke, the one time I did speak in favor of the Hall amendment, I didn't...I didn't come to this session ready to vote for a sales-tax on services. I'm not ready to vote for a comprehensive sales tax on services now. I think that's something we need to let the 3-R Commission (sic) look at between now and next session. In fact, I'm not even ready to say that I support a sales tax on these specific services for any more than one year. That's all it is right now. We have a tax in place on some specific services for one year and that's it. I don't intend to...I don't intend to state at this time that I am in support of sales tax on services beyond that because I don't at this point. But the fact of the matter is we need some revenue sources. We have found some specific revenue sources for the one-year period that we're talking about exempting all personal property. And so far this is the only...this is the only collection of taxes that we found