

that in the debate we don't lose the concept of the distribution, we spend some time talking about that as well as the various revenue sources that have been put before us. By the way, the amendment, this and the subsequent two are withdrawn.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: This amendment and the next two are withdrawn. Back to...anything else on the bill, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Moore would move to amend. AM2176, Senator. (See page 2608 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Mr. President and members, this Amendment 2176, which I have distributed, it is before you, it changes Section 20 of the bill, strikes and inserts the new language that I have passed out. This amendment basically you could call changes a dog from a cat, from a cat into a dog. It accomplishes the same thing, raises the same amount of money, raises the same amount of money from the same people as the... (recorder malfunction)... that we recently adopted by the floor. The Hall amendment, the corporate, basically put in statute, super bracket incorporate income tax rates, something that many people have tried for a number of years, as a matter of fact, and sometimes I have supported it myself. But the thought being that if this is indeed a temporary tax increase, the concept of a super bracket, though certainly appealing to some more populous elements of our state; on the other hand when they talk about business recruitment it certainly sends a message, something other than, you know, that some people aren't that wild about it, to tell you the truth. I guess the thought is this. If, indeed, if it is, indeed, a temporary rate increase instead of calling it a super bracket, instead of raising that rate from 7.81 to 8.99 to 9 percent in actual corporate income tax rate of 9 percent, which would certainly be the highest in the region, instead of changing the rate and calling it a super bracket, what six and twenty does is it basically says, well, we are not going to change the rate, we are not going to change the rate for 781 when basically we are going to have a 15 percent surcharge on the corporations over \$200,000. So, you are taxing the same people, even at the super bracket rate, and you're taxing them actually the same additional rate but you're not calling it the superbracket and you are not sending that message that we are going to raise that rate all the way up to 9 percent