

possible, this body makes that decision. It's one of those things I have said time and time again, I have very strong feelings about the 3-R plan is bad. I mean, not the least of which, turn to page 82 of the amendment. Eight-two, the heart of the amendment, which it repeals personal property tax exemptions. It repeals Section 8, feed and fertilizer. It repeals Section 9, grain and seed, but it leaves in Section 10, any personal property exempt in 775. It says we're going to broaden the tax base, all things that are depreciated with one exception, one exception, that's the corporate jets and the main frame computers. How is that broadening, how is that fair, how can any of us, any of us sell that back home or any of us go to bed at night saying this is fair tax policy, treats everyone the same, because it doesn't, that's not very (inaudible). But nevertheless, I will agree this plan is better than doing nothing. I've always said that, not a whole lot better, but it's better than doing nothing and if that's what the majority and the will of the body, the direction we're going to go, let's do it. Like Senator Hall, if that's the direction we're going to go, I'm going to sit down, make the bill as good as I can, vote for the constitutional amendment and move on. We have to make a decision and if I lose, I lose. That's fine. It's time to make that decision. And with that, let's either vote this amendment up or down, move on to 1120, but we might as well do it now, sooner is better than later. And if the supporters of the 3-R plan got the votes in this body, now is the time to show them. If they don't, now is the time to work the other direction of exempting personal property and we have to come up with the votes. Well the time has come and procedurally, I don't care how you want to do it, the sooner the better, sooner is now, let's make that decision now on what direction we're going to go

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Madam President, members of the body, before I get into my thoughts on the amendment and the wisdom of adopting this amendment at this point, I would just like to make a couple of comments because one of those was, I was somewhat concerned with a couple of comments Senator Hall made about what he perceived as an attitude by members of the body about, he used the term kosher treatment, as if there had been some criticism of him for not being kosher on this, and I, for one, would like to say that I know from personal experience and watching how long and hard Senator Hall has worked on this issue and is one