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green copy form and we will still...we will continue to discuss LB 1120 until some resolution comes...till we come to some kind of resolution on 1120 and then we would take up LB 1063 following that and then we do have another motion this morning and if Senator Landis's bill is brought out of committee, that bill would follow 1063 on the schedule and then we would have the constitutional amendment. I...I think it's important that we discuss the statutory provisions of what we're going to do with personal property tax before we discuss the constitutional amendment. I still think that we need to have something in place statutorily before we are going to have a good, sound discussion of the constitutional amendment that needs to go on the ballot. That's why the bills are preceding the constitutional amendment. I intend to do that as we proceed through the process that the bills will precede the constitutional amendment. With that, I would just urge your adoption of this motion to pull LB 1063 out of committee. Thank you.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Baack. The order of speakers is Haberman, Lamb, Moore, Schmit, Hefner, Rod Johnson, Schellpeper and Warner. Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well, Mr. President and members of the body, you have been asked and you have probably been lobbied individually and they have said to you, look, you don't have to support the issue, you don't have to support 1063, just give us the opportunity of getting it on the floor. And if you would like to oppose it then, you may do so. Well, that's reasonable, you say to yourself, I don't want to support it, I don't...haven't made up my mind but we ought to have the opportunity to discuss it. Well, don't fall for that. Don't, in my opinion, don't fall for it. I've seen that tried many, many, many times. It's kind of...if you stop to think about it, they're handing out a lollipop that doesn't have a handle on it. They're saying, well, you can have a lick of this, let's just put it on the floor but you won't be able to hold it. Now the committee heard the pros and cons on 1063. There were some members who were in favor of it but not a majority. So we decided not to advance the bill. But you're being asked now to take the bill away from the committee and advance it to the floor. So you could say, why have the committee structure if we're going to have the committee have public hearings, if we're going to have the committee hear all of this information, make a decision, but we're going to throw it out now, we're going to