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gentlemen, to come up with a tax plan and to get that constitutional amendment across. So I think we're getting down to the wire. I think it's important that we get this out here and that we have the discussion soon on this bill. So, for that reason and that reason alone, I am going to suggest that we vote to pull LB 1063 out.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Schimek. For planning purposes, so you will know the list is Senator Lamb next, then Senator Haberman, Coordsen, Withem and Will.

SENATOR LAMB: Thank you, Mr. President. I promise you this is the last time I'm going to speak on this bill. But I was interested in Senator Landis...I haven't said much on LB 1120 all this time, but I want to comment on something...some of the things that Senator Landis says, and I agree, you know. He said that some of us are looking for a proposal here that is essentially revenue neutral for the sectors. Well, Senator Landis, way last summer when I was in Kearney at a meeting, I first proposed my plan, which is before you today, LB 1150, and it will save you a lot of time. It's got it in it. It's...all you have to do is take the sales tax off farm machinery and exempt livestock and you're almost revenue neutral. And so I'm just way ahead of you. I'm way ahead of you. That's all you have to do is...is leave 1063 in committee. That isn't the way it works, but, anyway, advance LB 1150 and that's my proposal. See, I compromised way, way too early. I should have taken your negotiations class because I compromised way back last summer and I had phone calls from all these rural senators that, Howard, what the hell are you doing? One of them right up here; another one standing up back there. But, you know, I thought that was fair, that was fair. And so I was willing to make that suggestion. And so that's where we are today. I would also comment on what Senator Morrissey said. He says we don't need three bills out here, which he meant LB 1120, 1063 and LB 1150, and I would agree. We do need another bill, I would agree with that. I think it should be LB 1150. We already have LB 1120 on the...and we don't need 1063. That's my point. Senator Warner said that we have to have a...a zero impact essentially on the General Fund. All right, in the bill I have here, that's what happens. That's what happens, because I have taken Senator Landis's original suggestion that to fund the sales tax removal on farm machinery we cut state aid to counties and cities because they're going to gain, they're going to gain by the extra valuation they get, because of...of farm machinery and