

sizeable amount that is taxable under depreciable because you have to include business equipment as well as the agricultural equipment and the two...the two together will be in excess of \$6 billion of depreciable, taxable property. So that is significant. And if you were to take it all off, as you well know, then we're looking at...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR WARNER: ...either shifting it to real property or something in excess of \$100 million of alternative revenue source to hold local government harmless. And, you know, that, I guess, is the substantive issue. I won't go into the ramifications. I believe you did not ask for the ramifications, at least from my viewpoint, that that shift would have on the acceptability of the public to adopt the constitutional amendment to permit exemption.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I'm about out of time, Mr. Baack, I will have to come back later. Thank you very much.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Well, Mr. Speaker and members, I rise to oppose Senator...I rise to support Senator Johnson's rule suspension and I strongly urge the body to do so as well. The reason is that we all...we've known for months now that the question of whether or not farm machinery sales tax exemption was to be part of this plan and whether or not the body was going to vote on it, they were going to do it, has long been part of the discussion. And I think to procedurally deny the Legislature and those people in the ag community the opportunity to have a straight up and down vote on a clean amendment is a mistake by this body and further erodes many people's, in the state, confidence in our ability to allow people to have a clean shot at doing some things on this issue. Now Senator Warner's amendment, and I applaud those that have taken the time to try and craft a compromise, I don't...I mean, that amendment, I wish it was filed as a clean amendment so we could at least amend it. We will not have the opportunity to do that. I think we should amend it to a 100 percent. I think if we're going to do this...and Senator Warner said, time and time again, the argument was 20 years ago we're going to take personal property tax off the farm machinery and we're going to place sales tax on farm machinery. And if this body is going to deviate from that,