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Department of Revenue and at that time we'll find out if, indeed, the administration and others can support that, treating them exactly the same. So, with that, I'd pass over this amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: It is passed over.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Moore would move to amend. Senator, I now have AM3138 with a notation that you'd like to withdraw and substitute AM3296.

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, I have an updated version as amended to the Select File amendment. I'd ask unanimous consent to substitute.

SPEAKER BAACK: No objection, so ordered.

CLERK: Senator, I have AM3296 in front of me. (Moore amendment appears on pages 1213-18 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Mr. Speaker and members, this is the amendment that has been referred to oftentimes on this floor and last week when I had this amendment filed you may recall at that time I quoted LBJ and if you can't figure out who is with you, who is against you in 15 minutes, you ought to get out of politics and I certainly could count knowing there wasn't the votes there to adopt this amendment so I withdrew it at that time. Well, since that time we've had a great deal of discussion about the breeding livestock issue that Senator Conway and Senator Hefner talked about. We had a good deal of discussion when we debated the constitutional amendment on Thursday and Friday about uniformity, about equality and about fairness. After hearing a lot of those debates and seeing some of those votes, I thought it was only...even though I may be destined to lose this amendment, I certainly think the body...I'm anxious to see if the body wants to defend itself if they refuse this amendment. Because, basically, the way LB 1063 in its present form reads is that about \$5.9 billion worth of equipment is depreciated, goes on the tax rolls. Of that, obviously, the vast majority of that is business equipment and centrally assessed. It used to be on the tax rolls on an ad valorem market value system. In addition to that, there's about, using the Department of Revenue's numbers at least, there's about \$1.8 billion worth of personal property held in ag machinery and breeding livestock that is

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