

depreciates property the same. And that's the problem. This amendment allows this body to at least save some face and I've been enjoying watching people dance on this one. They either didn't want to talk about it, didn't want to defend it. This gives you an opportunity to say we are going to treat everybody the same and we're going to abandon a George Orwellian concept of the tax policy that all taxpayers are created equal, but some are more equal than others, we are going to treat everybody the same. We are going to say we're going to change the Constitution...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR MOORE: ...and maintain uniformity, I want everybody that depreciates property in the state shall be taxed. And as far as the binding contract, just as if the court, in my opinion, if given the chance of throwing 775 out, if you adopt this amendment, will go to the table, will settle the problem, but at least it will solve our 775 problem without denting it, but at least we can go to the voters of the State of Nebraska and say in good faith, we're going to change our personal property tax system, we're going to treat everybody, regardless of how big or how small, the same. It's not meant to confuse, it's meant to make it concise on what we're going to do. I ask for adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Moore. You've heard Senator Moore's closing on his amendment. We will now vote on the amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. A record vote has been requested. We are voting on Senator Moore's amendment.

SENATOR MOORE: Mr. Speaker, I ask for a call of the house and a record vote.

SPEAKER BAACK: We have a request for a call of the house. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: The house is under call. All members please report to the Chamber and record your presence. The house is under call. We need Senators Withem and Rod Johnson. Senator Elmer. Senator Rasmussen, would you record your presence, please. Senator Nelson, would you record your presence, please.