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LB 1063
LR 219

Senator Withem is absolutely right, it has been around for months. Well I disagreed with Senator Withem, you know, back in June when they visited with me. I did say it should be all on or all off, he disagreed with that and your version of all on, I guess, is this one here as well as if you say no. I mean you've got a good version now of what you want. Senator Warner, you know, I understand your point obviously but you have to understand my point, the same frustration you have with the abortion issue when you bring your constitutional amendment to give voters a clear cut choice. I think this issue is the same proportion we need to do something about. I think by giving the voters a choice we may have a chance to explain it to the voters, bring this thing to an end in May and may have a chance of getting 40 votes in this body. And Senator Warner has stated, well they already have a choice, LR 219 you can exempt it all, you can do this new-fangled method or you can do nothing, you can put it all back on. But as Senator Warner says, I mean, the whole basis for the last two weeks of debate is in 219 and 1063 together, people are going to vote on 219 thinking it's going to enact LB 1063. People like myself surely can come in next year and try and chink that armor but the chances of that are very slim. I mean, if exempting all personal property is as bad as this body, the opponents of 1120 believe it is, if the thing is written as bad as people believe it is, then what on earth do you got to worry about? Particularly, Senator Warner says, the option may already be in LR 219. Given all that, I've not heard anybody say why you shouldn't do this other than maybe we don't want to. Well, I don't want to either, I don't want to give the voters a choice. What I do want to do is put something on the ballot in May. I think this may well be the last best chance of this body to put that together. I've never made any threats, I'm not making one now. I'm just stating the facts as I lectured the body in June and July. I don't care what you think, you've got to add up to 40 somehow. This body has to find a way to get the 40 votes. This is a way I think we can get there. I'd ask for adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Moore. You've heard Senator Moore's closing. We will now vote on the amendment offered by Senator Moore. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. A record vote has been requested. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read record vote. See pages 1292-93 of the Legislative