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PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ..some repercussions. There will be some problems and we will be back here again, or some of you will be, at least, playing Mister Fix-It, and the same people will be in charge and making the recommendations that have made the same mistakes for the last five years. We've been going through this exercise because the majority always had the votes. They took their directions from whatever lobbying group wanted the bill passed and they got it done and the consequences are still with us. The bill, of course, is a very discriminatory bill. We know that. But it does not discriminate against certain special interests. I have read with some concern I guess, and Senator Hall says he was trying to regain his sense of humor, has proposed amendments to 219CA. The facts are that's about the way we do business in here. It is unfortunate that that is becoming more and more the norm and I refuse to be intimidated. I know that there are those...

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ..who are and if they are intimidated then we ought to go back to the farm. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I'm going to repeat one more time if you do nothing, which some of you want to have happen, I hope the public understands, and I believe they do, that as of January 1 all personal property that was previously exempt, inventory, livestock, business equip...and agricultural equipment is on the tax rolls at market value. That's the issue. This business that passage of this amendment or the bill is what caused it is simply not true. I want to address the A bill, which is in your book. Speaker indicated that the rule suspension was for the seven days and that's a fact, and the other ones, the rule suspension was because the...reading it before the budget bills. I would make the argument, but technically you wouldn't have to have done it for that reason, when Senator Moore asked me what the question was, was the cost to the Department of Revenue, which I indicated the bill is in at 50,000, with their amendments 95,500, but the A bill also has the reduction in the county aid of 3.5 million. And you will recall, Senator Moore, that under the rules, an A bill which expenditure is less than the revenue