

in opposition to the Chambers amendment. I think we need to think about what's happening here this morning. We've already voted on this issue. We voted it down. Senator Chambers comes in now this morning, doesn't want the constitutional amendment. How can he stop it? Now let's...let's talk about LB 775 again, let's get people all riled up about that and then we'll get people not to support LB 6 and that will get some people not to support the constitutional amendment. Senator Will talks about we ought to have LB 6, ought to deal with what the court ruled on. The court did not rule on LB 775. Why are we throwing it in? We're throwing it in because we rile up people and we get people on different sides arguing about it and people...you know, headlines in the newspaper and the talk in the coffee shops got us, you know, all upset now. LB 775 has nothing to do with what the Supreme Court ruled on. LB 775 is a totally separate issue. If we don't want 775, bring a bill next session and let's get rid of it. If you've got 25 votes, you can get rid of it. Put up a constitutional amendment and prevent it from happening. Let the people vote on that one. But the court did not talk about LB 775 and it's a bogus issue to bring in here on the last day of this session. It's an attempt to defeat the constitutional amendment which is an attempt to not allow the citizens of this state to decide on what they want for tax policy. You know, it's like the old saying, "kiss", keep it simple, stupid. Let the people vote on this issue. If they don't want to allow the Legislature to allow exemptions, they have that right to tell us. If they want to keep exemptions, they have the right to tell us. It doesn't seem that complicated to me. We throw in 775, we're going to make it real complicated. We throw in a bunch of different issues, it's going to become more complicated. The issue is the people are either going to vote up or down on the constitutional amendment. They're either going to say, Legislature, we trust you to provide exemptions or we don't. And if they don't then LB 6 ought to go into effect which says, here is the framework for putting everything back on. It's pretty much just that simple.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Horgan. Senator Bohlke, followed by Senators Schimek, Crosby, Wickersham, Robinson. Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Thank you, Madam President, members of the Legislature, I voted against 775 and the earth moving equipment originally and I continue to oppose the exemption at this time. Recognizing that 775 has merit, looking at the report from the