

something. I agree with the other people that say the tax system is sick. We ought to throw out personal property tax, get rid of it. Take a good look at it. One other issue we haven't talked about too much, Senator Beutler talked about the other day, listen, rural senators, if you haven't looked at that sheet on what 1059 does to the rural schools, you better take a good look. My schools lose a half a million dollars up in Burt County. If everything goes back on, and there is nothing you can do about it, they're going to lose a half a million bucks. They're going to lose it, there's no doubt about it. Every school in Thurston County is going to lose money. Maybe when you look at it it's not too much money, but to them it's a lot of money. What does that do when they lose it? It raises the property tax, whether you like it or not, it raises the property tax. And that's what we don't want. Senator Lynch will never convince me that property taxes aren't going to go up in Thurston and Burt Counties, because if everything goes back on they're going to go up, because it's going to trigger 1059. I think our only salvation is to vote for this amendment, because, if not, everything is going to go back on, and then watch the natives holler, and I don't blame them, they ought to holler. Please vote for this amendment, because I think it's our only salvation. But, like I said before, I'm not sure that we're going to get the votes. But think about it, rural senators, think about it. I think what Bernard-Stevens said, think about some of those people out there, some of those people on the fringes, there's a lot of them. They...every farmer doesn't have their land paid for, there are a lot of them that are making big mortgage payments, they can't afford this.

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR ROBINSON: And I believe, and I've heard Senator Hall say it, he doesn't like...he doesn't like a tax on inventories. Well, if we'd even get rid of that. it would be a great help. But I think...I have confidence in the 3-R Committee. I have confidence in Senator Warner, I have confidence in Senator Moore, Senator Rogers, Senator Hall and the rest of them, I think they can come up with something we can live with, but we need the constitutional amendment. Thank you.

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

SENATOR WARNER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I'd rise once again to oppose the 30-vote limit, and it's purely