

areas in accordance with general plans and redevelopment plans of communities are public uses and public purposes for which public money may be expended and are declared to be public necessities. So in other words, we build the argument and we try to rope in the standards even tighter. We try to say that not only are these purposes, in terms of the reduction in taxes, the general plans, and the public purposes for which public money may be expended are declared to be public necessities. In other words, the attraction of these types of business, the condemnation of this type of property, these types of benefits are public necessities. It goes a far cry beyond anything we did in LB 775. Read the material that we are being asked to adopt, ladies and gentlemen. Read subsection (7).

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR HALL: It says, the prevention and elimination of blighted and substandard areas is a matter of state policy, public interest, and statewide concern and within the powers and authority inhering in and reserved to the state, in order that the state and its municipalities and other public agencies shall not continue to be burdened by such circumstances. Well, who is going to be burdened by it? We are going to eliminate it so we are going to no longer be burdened by it. That's what the purpose of the act is. It says, the redevelopment of such areas will promote the public health, safety, catch this one, morals, Senator Witek, listen to this one. This one says the redevelopment of such areas will promote the public health, safety, morals, and welfare, stimulate the proper growth of urban, suburban, and rural areas of the state, preserve existing...preserve existing values. Now that means you have got to like the existing values in order to preserve them. Now we may disagree on what existing values are.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Hall. Senator Chambers. Excuse me, Senator Chambers, we have an amendment. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to amend Senator Hall's amendment, Madam President. (See FA50 found on page 814 of the Legislative Journal.)