

value for this which is different than how the system works for each year after the model year. Any of you that have had someone in your family purchased a new vehicle, notice the second year there was a tremendous reduction in value and that's what we're trying to adjust here. After that, the tax commissioner has a rather extensive set of information from the statistics on vehicle sales from which to determine the value. Don't know whether this will be...the Chambers amendment, I don't think, will kill the bill. It's certainly better than what the current situation is where people who buy these used vehicles are forced to pay on a property value that would be far more than what they paid for the vehicle at the time of purchase if it is a current year adjustment. I still haven't decided on how I'm going to vote on the Chambers amendment. I suspect, giving the tax commissioner a little more latitude as the original language proposes might be the better...the better process to follow on adjusting this section of amendment 1390, but we'll have to see what the rest of the discussion brings about. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Madam Chairman and members. I really don't know whether the 15 percent is a fair figure if you're going to say that's the only thing in there because you have such a difference in the amount of miles and the value. But 15 percent, I can see the tax commissioner, it would be a lot easier for him. He could just say that if you had 10,000 miles, it's 15 percent. So I guess it's probably a way to go that it would be easier for him. Everybody would know then that if you have 10,000 miles, it would be 15 percent instead of maybe 20, maybe 25 percent. So, at this time, I'm going to support this amendment because I think it's the easier way to go. I don't think it's the right way because I think you're penalizing the consumers but it's the easiest way to go for the tax commissioner and for everybody to understand what we're doing, I guess. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. Senator Withem.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Madam President and members of the body, I rise somewhat against my own good judgment but I feel compelled to do so. We...just when I was in the Chair earlier, we had raised