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SENATOR WITEK: Madam Chairman, members of the body, I rise in support of the Hall amendment and I have one question for Senator Hall.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Hall.

SENATOR WITEK: I assume by all the changes that you've made throughout the year or two years, to the office of the auditor that you will not be running for that office at any future date.

SENATOR HALL: Oh, don't assume anything, Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Yeah, I would...I actually punched my light because Senator Maurstad was on personal duties for a moment. Dave, that's okay, but I do rise to support the amendment. I think that it reduces substantially the amount of work required outside of the local unit of government and it's a simple calculation and the local governing body ought to be able to do that if their ability, if they have the ability to put together a budget and then with the inclusion of the last sentence that Senator Hall proposes, it does provide a statistical base of developing the information on a cumulative basis. I give the rest of my time to Senator Maurstad.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Maurstad, you have four minutes.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Coordsen, I also rise in support of the amendment brought forth by Senator Hall and appreciate his diligence in bringing this to our attention and working with us to accommodate this. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Maurstad. Is there any further discussion on the Hall amendment? Seeing none, Senator Hall, do you wish to close?

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President and members. I appreciate the support from folks on the amendment. It's nice to pass something this year. But, Senator Witek, now that we have the auditor down to doing relatively little, I might actually be interested in running for that office, but, no.