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relative to property taxes?

SENATOR WILL: Certainly.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And if it...if we...hmmm. So, if it takes 30 to do it and we have 49 members, 20 could defeat 29?

SENATOR WILL: Your math is correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That means that the majority...the minority prevails.

SENATOR WILL: That would be correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And the intent of this rule is to insure that that be the case.

SENATOR WILL: Any...any rule that requires more than 25 votes, potentially would allow the minority to prevail.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The intent of this rule is to insure that that prevails.

SENATOR WILL: It's to...no, it's to insure that you have a super majority in order to prevail on the other side.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If your rule requires a majority of the elected members to put something into law or to carry the day, you require the 25 to insure that an absolute majority is required to get this particular thing done. Isn't that correct?

SENATOR WILL: That's correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So, if you reverse it then the aim is to insure that a minority can prevent something from being done. Isn't that correct?

SENATOR WILL: A large enough minority, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But it's designed to insure that, and that's what Senator Wickersham's amendment will do, isn't that correct?

SENATOR WILL: Yeah, any vote requirement, as you point out, any requirement of more than 25 votes carries with it the potential