

keno tax because I think they have...that should be raised. There is too much revenue out there not being taxed, we need to tax that more. And it's a way for the state to get additional revenue. It's there for us to use and I think we'll have to have it with our property tax problem. But I don't know whether this afternoon at four o'clock with 30 people here, this is the time to get into this type of discussion. I would like to see the bill moved over and with Senator Will's approval to reconsider the committee amendments, maybe. It's...Senator Will, if you would answer please,...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Yes.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: ...would you agree to reconsider the committee amendments if the bill should happen to move, so we're not getting into a whole new area, or do you want to stay just like the bill is?

SENATOR WILL: No, Senator Schellpeper, I, actually I wasn't joking when I said that I, that I liked the way I introduced the bill. But I would give you my word right now that the first amendment I'll draft, if we advance this bill, will be to reinstate the committee amendment, basically.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: I think they would have moved if we'd have had enough people here this afternoon. But when you only have 33 people and you have a few people opposed, it's hard to do anything.

SENATOR WILL: My intention with 687 is not to raise the tax on keno.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Yeah. So I guess with that understanding I would move, or help support 687 in its current form with Senator Will's understanding that he will, that we'd have to get the committee amendments adopted. Otherwise I certainly would be opposed to the bill. But with that I would help, urge you to support it on to Select this afternoon and we will definitely work on it on Select. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Will, you're recognized to close.