

contractors, this medicine has to do with part of an animal, the animal sold it ultimately, and I'm not sure if this \$3 million worth or \$4 million worth of exemptions is going to make a difference to the consumer or not. And I'm not quite sure what the precedent is for it, maybe it's justified, I'm not sure. But I offered an amendment that would do the same thing for contractors, building homes, for example, in the city, and maybe rather than having to pay any kind of tax, sales tax, or whatever else it might be on whatever they make as a part of that house, we could figure out some way to get \$3 million worth of exemptions against that property, hopefully for the same purpose and reason. Fairness and equity, I'm not sure if it isn't even, even if it is fairness and equity. But these \$3 million worth of exemptions here and the rest just, I have to admit, I don't understand. I can't understand the justification for it in a lot of cases. And some day, maybe, the time will come when those people from the country who serve in the Legislature might say enough is enough, we can't give those people from the city any more exemptions. With that I respectfully withdraw the amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Lynch. The motion is withdrawn.

CLERK: Senator Dierks would move to return the bill.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam Lieutenant Governor and members of the Legislature. I...the amendment that I have up there is one that would call for striking the enacting clause. I do it just for the purpose of addressing the bill before we vote on it after we've had the input from Senator Lynch and Senator Withem. The understanding of the legislation isn't that difficult, Senator Lynch, when you consider that the \$3 million that is going to not produce in the way of revenue, is money that'll be kept in the hands of farmers and ranchers, and every one of those farmers and ranchers spend that money. They don't put it on bonds and stocks, they don't put it away in ventures, they don't use it for those other items that, that won't be taxed. They use it to buy goods and services, and those items are taxed. And that \$3 million in the turn around, the spending of each dollar will generate another from \$4 to \$7, each of which will produce more sales tax. We also are doing it for the