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SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Wickersham, will you yield?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Hello. Yes. If they're leased to a private party and the private party is carrying on a private business, then some portion of the property could become subject to tax. We had an earlier discussion about the gift shop here in the Capitol, I think because that's a private business operated on public property. If that's a lease arrangement...it's run...oh, that one's run by DAS. The cafeteria I think is subject to a lease. That one might be subject to tax. If you're...but as I understand the operations at Mahoney State Park, those are operated by Game and Parks directly.

SENATOR SMITH: My question is, would those facilities be put on the tax rolls?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: I don't think they will if they're operated by Game and Parks directly, because they don't fall under the context of the bill as being leased.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Smith. Senator Chris Peterson, on the committee amendments.

SENATOR C. PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. This is...this is obviously opening up, for me, more questions as we go along and one of the issues that I think has come up about this, is that this might fall back on the local county assessors to determine some of this. Because I think the way the constitutional amendment read was that, to the extent such property is not used for the authorized public purpose, and I think we've...we've pretty much had the discussion that if it's land or if it's property that's being leased for a nonpublic purpose it's not in the public purpose of the political subdivision even though those revenues are being used to defray the cost of the expense of government, then the Legislature may classify such property, exempt such classes, and impose or authorize some or all of such property to be subject to property taxes or payments in lieu of property taxes. My concern about this is how this is all going to fall out. I