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going, but I do not endorse this particular matter. You can hand-write an amendment on the floor in this area and have it be as well thought out as you need to. We need time. We need time to think about where this applies and where it doesn't apply. Do we apply it to the MUD well fields? Do we apply to the airport authority? What are the appropriate standards? And I think Senator Wickersham has raised some very good questions here on what limitations and standards should apply. Right now, this amendment doesn't have it and it shouldn't be adopted. Frankly, I think we've raised a good issue but here's my suggestion. My suggestion is that we generally...if we have an interest or a belief that the payment in lieu of taxes has a role to play in LB 271 beyond where it is right now, although it's in it now, but beyond where it is, I'd suggest that you come over here and tell Bob and Curt, someplace between now and the afternoon, that you want some work done on this idea, that it holds an opportunity for you. And let me tell both of you right now, I'd like some work done on the payment in lieu of taxes options. I think it makes sense, particularly in the airport authority area. This isn't it but there's a nub of an idea here that holds, I think, opportunity and I would...I would commend to both Senator Wickersham and Senator Bromm the taking of some time, whether it's between now and the next time this bill comes up, or as I think it should be, when this bill is advanced to Final Reading today, which I think it could be, the use of some language upon which we could agree to bring it back and adopt it and put it into the bill because that's certainly something that I would...I intend to do if other parties won't do and that's to offer this on Final Reading. I just think that we're not ready to make this decision today. I think we need more work on it and some period of time has to pass. For my purposes, I think simply withdrawing the Bromm amendment, sending this to Final Reading and preparing an amendment on the use of the payment in lieu of taxes concept is the right thing to do. Then apply it on Final Reading and bring it back and use that. If that's idiosyncratic and others don't think that makes sense, fine. But if you do make sense...if that does make sense to you, I'd communicate your wishes to Senator Wickersham and Senator Bromm, and this is my way of doing exactly that. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Mr. Clerk, do you have items for the...Senator