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we had been piggybacking on the federal system and we started on our own system. The variable gas tax occurred since I've been in the Legislature. The property tax control system that we have now, with levy maximums and revenue limitations in the spending sides for local governments, those have all been work product of the Revenue Committee that I've served on. I'm in a position to be able to tell you what was intended, to tell you about the history of it, and to tell you whether or not it succeeded or failed against what was the work of the Revenue Committee, because I've been there. I offer that body of service to you, and will live by your judgment. I would ask for your support for the Revenue Committee Chairmanship. Thank you.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Landis. Are there further nominations? Seeing none, the Chair declares that nominations are closed. You have the ballots before you. Please write the name of the individual you are voting for. The Clerk and the Assistant Clerk will collect the ballots. At this time, I select a committee of three to come forward to tabulate the votes. Those senators are Senator Aguilar, Senator Cunningham, and Senator Foley. When the three of you have finished voting, please come forward. (Doctor of the day introduced.) The Chair would announce that the balloting is complete. Senator Landis has received 25 votes and has been elected Chair of the Revenue Committee. Congratulations, Senator Landis. We will now proceed to the election of the Chair of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. The Chair would recognize Senator Baker.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. I rise to place my name in nomination for Chair of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. I've served on the committee for four years and have truly enjoyed my time on this community. I have helped develop a good relationship with the Department of Roads, the Public Service Commission, the State Patrol, as well as members of the transportation and telecommunications industries. I feel that's a valuable contribution my Chairmanship would make, having developed these relationships with these people over the past four years. I've been involved in passage of legislation dealing with a wide variety of important committee issues. I have a background of having