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where we're going and what we're going to do. And I understand...my plea throughout this discussion will be ask me questions or ask others who are knowledgeable questions about the concepts, test us, test the subject matter, express your doubts, give people a chance to join you or to respond.

SPEAKER BROMM PRESIDING

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: I've been here long enough that I believe this bill, if nothing else, is a vehicle that we ought to want to keep alive and move to the Select File. There comes a time in every session where you wish you had something to work with, and I will understand from the beginning that a green vote in the first round is not a green vote in the third round. But I ask for your participation, for your discussion, your questions, your input, and I would ask you to consider moving this bill forward in whatever form...after a thorough, informed debate...we think it ought to be to keep it available to us for the very hard work that we have yet before us that needs to begin. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Mr. Clerk, we have committee amendments.

CLERK: Mr. President, the Revenue Committee would move to amend with AM1142 as Revenue Committee amendments.

SPEAKER BROMM: I'd recognize Senator Landis, Chairman of the Revenue Committee, to open on the committee amendment.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I rise to address the committee amendments and to affirm that I am generally in support of LB 759. I generally support the idea of broadening base and reducing rates, which has been the general goal of Senator Brashear in this longstanding agenda of his. One of the virtues of broadening the base and lowering the rate is that it makes tax less important to each and every transaction, and if it's less important to economic transactions because it's a smaller percentage of them, people are less