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SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Raikes, would you respond to a question?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: The question that I have is, when you brought up that construction equipment or commercial equipment that would be used for a construction group or someone that was doing stuff other than farming, you stated that there would be a sales tax on that, and they would be paying a personal property tax on that. Is that correct?

SENATOR RAIKES: Right. That's what I said. And I think that's correct, Senator.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Okay. When that...when you're paying that personal property tax on that, that means that it's gone onto your depreciation schedule. The depreciation schedule for that type of equipment is a different schedule than the schedule on agriculture equipment. On the agriculture equipment, that is on a seven-year depreciation. And the commercial equipment like that, I am almost positive that's on a five-year depreciation. So there is some advantage in that commercial equipment when it is put on their depreciation schedule. Do you agree with that, or am I mistaken?

SENATOR RAIKES: Senator, you may be correct. I am not aware of that. I'll check that out though.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Okay. I wish you would, because, you know, on our county, in our county business, we always have that come up with different equipment that we had, because some of it was treated different. If a construction group would buy a Caterpillar, their...that would get onto a different schedule, as compared to if I bought a tractor and put it out on my depreciation schedule. And I am sure that is right, but I could stand to be corrected if Senator Raikes could find that out, please.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay. I'll try to do that, Senator.