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looking at a majority of the states in the nation, finding out they all lived through it and they all did it because it was a growing part of the economy. The reason it will raise \$56 million is because there's a lot of it going on. That's why, when we talk about broadening the tax base and spreading the burden as much as possible and putting the burden where the economic activity actually is, we pick the things that are growing that will produce. There are items that we could delete from this package and they would be what in the parlance of the trade we call de minimis. They would make no difference. The reason this, voting for this amendment, would make such a huge difference is because there's so much of it going on. And, of course, the contractors would like not to be taxed, and so would you, and so would I, and so would everybody else. The farmers would like not to be taxed. And this would like not to be taxed, and that would like not to be taxed. And what we're trying to do is to...and we've done business that way forever. That's why we have seven pages of single-spaced exemptions, which hopefully some day we will continue to aggressively examine. But we are where we are today. This is \$56 million of the package. It isn't like it doesn't go on anywhere else. The world has not come to an end and the contractors in other states have learned to live with it just like everybody else is going to have to do. So I would urge our rejection of this amendment. If we're open to this argument then we're open to the same argument to the same argument on every other line item of the package. This does not...rejecting this amendment does not reflect what's happening in the services sector across the nation with regard to those states that have successfully broadened their tax base, and I urge your rejection of the amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Senator Aguilar, followed by Senators Kruse, Schrock, Beutler, and Hartnett. Senator Aguilar.

SENATOR AGUILAR: Thank you, Mr. President. Members, I'm not sure where...how I'm going to vote on Senator Stuthman's amendment. I've been trying very hard to listen carefully and trying very hard to stick with Senator Brashear's plan. I think it...that probably has the strongest opportunity to get