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ask for the adoption of this. It gets us on the same page and it achieves a rather large number of the objectives that we want to. I'll then explain the topic that Senator Stuthman (inaudible), which is the land moving issue, and I'll also try my best to explain or at least read to you what we've done with respect to the allowance for sales tax paid, which would be the next amendment. I ask for the adoption of AM3292.

SENATOR JANSSEN: You've heard the closing on AM3292 to the Revenue Committee amendments. All those in favor signify by voting aye, those opposed nay. Record, Madam Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay on adoption of the amendment, Mr. President.

SENATOR JANSSEN: The amendment is adopted. Madam Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have to the committee amendments is from Senator Bourne. Senator, I have AM3458. (Legislative Journal page 1336.)

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Mr. President, members. This amendment is a change to the sales and use code, and if you recall back when we changed the sales and use code, we added a tax on coin-operated car washes. And I think that this is one of those situations where we put out a bill, kind of similar to what we're kind of cleaning up now as it relates to the contractors, where we don't really realize the impact that this has on our citizens. I had introduced the bill in front of Revenue Committee and, quite honestly, the bill has not come out of Revenue Committee because we couldn't really ascertain whether or not what I'm advocating, and that is rather than a straight tax that we assess each car wash bay \$200 rather than the 5.5 or 6 percent tax. So we had some dispute with the Fiscal Office...not the Fiscal Office but the Department of Revenue as to the real fiscal impact of the bill. And, quite honestly, I cannot stand here and say to you that this would be revenue neutral or that we'd gain money or that we'd lose money, because the reality is, is nobody really knows how many car wash bays there are. The Department of Revenue indicated that there are four bays per establishment and there's 41 establishments