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statewide. That's 160 bays. I find that hard to believe, that there's only 160 bays statewide. So again, we...I cannot in good conscience offer this amendment to you and suggest that it will be revenue neutral. However, I do feel that the bill that we passed unfairly burden these small businesses. So again, what I had advocated for is, rather than a straight tax, we do a \$200 fee per bay, but again I can't stand here and say that we know exactly what this means. So what I'm going to do is continue to study this issue over the interim. I'm going to ask the Revenue Committee to help me do a study so we can figure out exactly how many bays so that maybe next year we can come back and change this statute, in my opinion, to make it better and easier on small business people, rather than the unfair burden which I feel that we did last year. Again, we don't know the impact, the fiscal impact. We don't know how many bays there are. So I'm going to come back with some more information. Now this was the amendment that I had talked with Senator Landis about and he had told me that this minute in the legislative session he would resist my trying to put that on there. So in the interest of collegiality and fair play, I would ask consent to withdraw this amendment, please.

SENATOR JANSSEN: It is withdrawn. Next amendment, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Landis, AM3503, but, Senator, I have a note you want to withdraw AM3503.

SENATOR JANSSEN: It is withdrawn.

CLERK: Senator Landis, AM3586. (Legislative Journal page 1528.)

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Members of the Legislature, this deals with two ideas, actually both of which have been raised in floor discussion. It strikes the use of the word "real estate" and inserts in one section "a structure as defined in section 77-2704," essentially meaning that you've got to have building materials involved for construction. Pushing dirt is not construction. Now arguably, under some definitions it would be; in other definitions it might not be. We chose to say, are you using building materials? If you are, it's