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SENATOR REMMERS: I felt that the word "directly" needed to be stricken to clear up that particular question.

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I guess, Senator Remmers, that given the explanation by Senator Hannibal I would not be able to support your amendment. Do you agree with that same explanation?

SENATOR REMMERS: I think that perhaps in the example you used they would not be exempt.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I see. Well, thank you very much. Then, Mr. President, I would have to oppose Senator Remmers' amendment. I have all the enemies I need in my district right now. Thank you very much. I would like to ask you for a little more explanation.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Senator Schmit, I'm sorry that I was a little evasive the last time. It is because I had kind of forgotten this issue. But when the issue...the issue was broached yesterday for the first time when NACI showed committee counsel and myself this amendment, and committee counsel raised that very point that you are raising, Senator Schmit, that, in fact, under the way the amendment is drafted it could result in an organiza...in a manufacturing business, like Becton-Dickinson in Columbus which is clearly exempt from its energy purchases by 715 now, the way this amendment is drafted, the Remmers amendment, it literally could cause it to lose that exemption.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you very much. I will have to oppose reluctantly, Senator Remmers, your amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chronister, please. Senator Higgins. But may I introduce some guests we have in the south balcony. There are 13 members of the Shenandoah, Iowa Book Club. Would you please stand and be recognized. Thank you, ladies. I guess you are all ladies, aren't you? No gentlemen up there. Okay, thank you. We appreciate your visiting us today. Senator Higgins, please.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. It has been said that the sales tax will be passed on to the consumer. Would Senator Vard Johnson please respond to a couple of

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