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have real or personal property subject to tax to the same extent as private property of the same character. I also proposed an amendment to the committee amendment which would ensure that the limitations on the provision to charitable, nonprofit enterprise would be reflected in the language which is proposed to appear on the general ballot in the year 2000 election. Would ask first for the adoption of my amendment...the committee amendment, and then approval of the committee amendment, and ultimately the advancement of the bill to Select File.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. There are committee amendments. Senator Hartnett, you may open on the committee amendments. (AM0210 is found on page 483 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR HARTNETT: What the committee does, it just proposes that it only apply to charitable, nonprofit enterprise, to ensure that the property of the charitable, nonprofit enterprise benefiting from (inaudible) would be only...have their own real and personal prop...subject to tax to the same extent as private property of the same character. Simply to make it clear...clarify it is applied only to charitable nonprofits.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. You've heard the opening on committee amendments. Discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Hartnett, I'll.... Senator Wickersham, on the committee amendments.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Madam President, I want to apologize to Senator Hartnett. I really hadn't examined the language of this constitutional amendment before it came up on the agenda. And I've been trying to talk to the committee counsel for Urban Affairs, to find out what this amendment does. I'm...I guess I was concerned and I'm not going to ask Senator Hartnett questions directly, but if he wants to respond to my comments, I'll be happy to hear his responses. I've read the amendment and I understand that in general this is perhaps something that we're already doing and that the authorization is being extended to a new category. What I'm specifically concerned about is how this mechanism operates and doesn't become an obligation of the municipality that would issue...for example, that would issue the bonds. Or at least.... Maybe I'm misunderstanding, whether