

SENATOR DWORAK: I am attempting to amend the committee amendments, Mr. President, and the amendment is on the Clerk's desk. Mr. President, I request that we divide this question into two parts. The committee amendments are in the bill book and there are four parts contained in the committee amendments and I would like to divide the committee amendments into two parts, the first part being #1 which relates to the interest rates and the second part relating to the other sections that Senator Carsten explained. My particular concern and my particular interest is in the first part and I would urge this body to vote down the first part which reduces the interest rates in the initial bill of 11% back down to the existing interest rate of 9%. These are interest rates on delinquent taxes. I can see no incentive for anyone to pay delinquent taxes with favorable interest consideration of 9%. It is difficult to borrow money on a commercial note now at 9% and so a person actually is in a favorable position not paying his real estate taxes. So I would urge that if this question is divided we would vote down the first part which is relative to interest rates, and if we vote down that, that will change the existing statute from 9% to 11% and then the second part is the rest of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: First of all, the Chair rules that the amendments are divisible and you want to take up #1.

SENATOR DWORAK: I want to take up #1 first which is the interest rate portion, Mr. Speaker, and then I want to take up the other three amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We won't have time for all of this but the Chair will rule that you are in order and we can take up #1 and then tomorrow we will take up #2, #3, and #4.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. Speaker, in the interest of time, maybe you would like to take #2, 3 and 4 up because I don't think that would be contested. That is just merely keeping the committee amendments as they are and then tomorrow we could discuss the interest rates.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, let me check with the others who have their lights on. Senator Koch, do you wish to be recognized on the motion we will take first which has to do with the committee amendments #2, 3 and 4, do you wish to be recognized on those? Senator Keyes, do you wish to be recognized on #2, 3 and 4?

SENATOR KEYES: Yes, I do. Senator Carsten, as I understand