

that with the understanding that the Revenue Committee is working on some sort of permanent solution. Now my question is, what happens if, like in so many years past in this Legislature, the permanent solution is not reached? Then the Revenue Department is given carte blanche to come in and say what they think a separate and distinct agricultural classification would be and I don't know what they are going to say and you don't know what they are going to say but I don't want to know what they are going to say. I want the Legislature to tell them what is going to be.

SENATOR LAMB: Okay, well, as I read your amendment, it would in fact negate the Amendment 4 which was passed in the last session after this year. Now if there was concern that the 1984 manual might be used beyond 1985, then I would suggest that on line 3 you might wish to insert the word "only" after 1985 to make that very clear that for tax year 1985 only agricultural land shall be valued using the previous land manual. But to insert the language up there on line 2 as you suggest would in effect, it seems to me, negate the Amendment 4 language which was passed at the last election. So on that basis, I would oppose the amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman. We have these following speakers' lights on, Senators Warner, Beutler, Nelson, and DeCamp.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, may I ask a question of Senator Landis please? It is my understanding that you are the Chairman of a special committee to come up with legislation I thought yet this year on this issue, am I wrong in that?

SENATOR LANDIS: No.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Fine, then, might I ask, do you have any sort of a time schedule when you are going to present this body with your bill on this issue?

SENATOR LANDIS: Working back from the end of the session, the subcommittee has decided that the last possible reasonable date for our report is April 15th. We would like to do it before that time.

SENATOR HABERMAN: You are going to give a report to the Revenue Committee?