

Vickers has explained it to you. I believe that it is time that we make some kind of a commitment. We have had a multitude of bills that have indicated we are going to do something like this, but nothing happens. As I said earlier, there comes a time when the property can no longer continue to bear it and you've got to get the money where it comes from. If those of us who have income can afford to pay the income tax and so forth then we've got the ability to do it. But the ownership of property is no longer any indication of ability to pay, it has become especially so in recent years. I think it is time we take a good look at this. I would hope you would support the amendment. If you do not support the amendment then I think it is sending the wrong kind of signal back to people in many areas who need to own property with which to earn a living. I think those people are going to be deeply concerned about any kind of funding for schools. I would hope that we would adopt the amendment. As I have said earlier, if it does not do that which I have explained, because I have not had time to read the amendment verbatim myself, then I will stand ready to amend the bill at a future time.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Question is the adoption of the Schmit amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, Mr. President, I'll have a call of the house and I will have call in votes.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Question is shall the house go under call. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 19 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The house is under call. Please record your presence. Those outside the Chamber, please return to the Chamber and record your presence. So if you are here, please record your presence. Senator Haberman, would you record your presence, please. Senator Remmers, Senator Chizek. Thank you. Senator Beutler, Senator Landis. Call ins are authorized. We are voting on the Schmit amendment. Senator Beutler, push your green, please. Senator Chambers, Senator Labeledz and Smith. Senator Smith. Senator Remmers is here, so we are ready to go. Call in votes...we are voting on the Schmit amendment.