

local level. Maybe that means we will maybe have to give \$1.00 or \$2.00 less here. Senator Johnson said something about, gosh, the state can't afford this. What, a million or a couple million bucks? Maybe a million bucks, whatever it is. Well, shoot, he just nailed the state for about \$1.6 without a dissenting vote here I think about, about what, 30, 45 minutes ago, which you will discover here later, on that amendment on 280. You all ought to check that out. I voted for it. No, I think I decided to go to the bathroom on that one because I decided not to say anything. But you wait until you check that out. So don't cry about a million when I'm at least relieving some property taxes. I think the amendment is a good amendment. Go ahead with it.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay the motion before you is the adoption of the DeCamp amendment to LB 236. Twenty-five votes required. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Senator Beutler voting no.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Please vote. Please vote. I'm about to record, Senator DeCamp. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 13 ayes, 20 nays on the adoption of the DeCamp amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: The amendment is not adopted. Mr. Clerk, are there any further amendments?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend the bill. (Read Chambers amendment found on page 1778 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, so you'll understand what this amendment does, the committee amendment raised the rate from \$1.10 per \$1,000 in value to \$1.50. I'm reducing the \$1.50 to \$1.25, which really raises it from the \$1.10 to \$1.25. If you must do this, if you just must do it, Senator Lamb, mitigate the damage to some extent. I remember hearing Senator Hefner argue the other day about the cost of doing business and didn't want businessmen to have to up a small increase in premiums to provide a more decent amount of workers compensation when a worker is hurt on the job, mention the