

tax and now has the issue proposed for the coming ballot. However, the next general election falls within four days of being a full year of that time. The city not wishing to incur extra expense, and I am sure all of you can identify with that, when the date is so close has asked me to bring this amendment before you. The bill drafters have designed the amendment and all this does is drop it from 24 months down to 23 months. Basically, that complies with the intent of the legislative body to maintain it at two years but allows it for discrepancy in the calendar of a year, so that if there are just a few days one way or another depending upon when the election falls, we could address it for that particular purpose. It also broadens it so again for an expense issue rather than requiring a city, county, or a state, or possible special election, it says primary, general, or special election. I would ask for your adoption of this amendment.

PRESIDENT: We are now on the Morehead amendment to LB 890. May we have order in the Chamber please. (Gavel.) The conversation is getting a bit loud. Senator Vard Johnson. I have these names from previously. I will ask on the Morehead amendment, Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: I do want to speak on the bill itself but I will say very quickly that Senator Morehead's amendment is basically a technical amendment. I do not think the Revenue Committee would have had any difficulty with this amendment had Senator Morehead had the presence of mind to offer it during the course of the public hearing, but since she is a dollar late or a day late and a dollar short, notwithstanding that circumstance, it is a decent amendment and I would encourage you to vote for it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nelson, do you wish to speak? I have got you down for the bill here. I will keep your names up here to speak on the bill. We are canvassing now for comments on the Morehead amendment. Senator Schmit, anything. Senator Sieck, Morehead amendment.

SENATOR SIECK: Yes, Mr. President and members of the body, I will support this amendment because I feel that it corrects an error that could happen to a city. They could fall four days short or something like that and we don't want this to happen so what we are doing is just shortening it up one month and I think that is proper.