

fiscal year January 1 where the increase would be it would go to the General Fund, and then revert back to the Highway Trust Fund. All right. I thank you. I'm still going to listen to some of the further debate. Roads are very important to all of us. And I realize that even with highway funds in roads our counties and cities...our cities have to participate, have to have dollars to participate in those projects too. And those are big dollars, not only because of the actual construction of the highway, but because of the acquiring of the lands and the property rights that go in connection with that. So I want to follow very closely because this is an important issue. And it seems like we are headed for the half cent. I commend Senator Landis for not wanting to put the half cent in for the total year. I believe we would be breaking faith with the people if we were to generate more monies than we actually needed. So that part I think is very good. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hall, then Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President and members, Senator Landis, if you would yield to a question. Thank you. Your amendment puts a half cent sales tax on commencing January 1, 1987.

SENATOR LANDIS: Right.

SENATOR HALL: It allows or disallows those monies from the sales tax from automobiles to go into the Highway Trust Fund.

SENATOR LANDIS: My language does not. The previously adopted Vard Johnson amendment would.

SENATOR HALL: All right, so you would change that language and have those sales tax monies go directly to the General Fund?

SENATOR LANDIS: That has previously been done to 539 by the Johnson amendment adopted earlier in the discussion period.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you very much. Mr. President and members, I support the Landis amendment. Senator Warner has said that should this amendment be adopted he would oppose the bill and like to see it indefinitely postponed it sounded to me. Or I think he said he wouldn't care if it was indefinitely postponed. I think it is the one redeeming value that the bill would have should this amendment be adopted. And it might even be enough to get me to vote for it, even though I only supported about \$200,000 to be put back into the budget. With that, I won't