

money tied up in inventory. He also has a lot of money, tax money in accounts receivable. Also in doing business, I am sure that they receive some insufficient checks or bad checks, and as is the case now, some small businesses are taking bankruptcies and so they stand to lose there. So I just want to say to you today I don't think that now is the time to change this collection allowance.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. Senator Pirsch, then Senator Vard Johnson, then Senator Pappas.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have a question for Senator Hefner if he will yield.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Would you respond, Senator Hefner?

SENATOR HEFNER: Certainly.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Senator Hefner, you said raising the taxes is one thing and reducing the commission is another. If the commission was left the same, would the wholesalers then support this bill, LB 3?

SENATOR HEFNER: What did you say now? If the collection allowance is left the same...

SENATOR PIRSCH: If the collection allowance remained the same and we raised the taxes a nickel, would the wholesalers then have their objections to this bill erased and support LB 3?

SENATOR HEFNER: I can't speak for the wholesalers.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Was that their only bone of contention was the commission being reduced or did they also complain, too, about the taxes being raised?

SENATOR HEFNER: Well, I think they are against raising the taxes too.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay.

SENATOR HEFNER: I think they are against the whole bill.

SENATOR PIRSCH: So this is not then a compromise position?