

compromise here which does make agriculture pay a considerable amount, which does hit the industries who are getting some benefits. Okay, we have got the telephone, the telephone companies we know are getting benefits out of this whole property tax problem. Common carriers are getting a benefit. There is no doubt about that. So this is an attempt at a compromise to do what some members here have said, to put the load primarily on those that benefit, but as far as I am concerned, the original proposal with that sales tax on energy is not fair and equitable, not fair and equitable because 19 million out of that \$43 million falls directly on agriculture, and that is almost half. That is too big a percentage on there, and if this amendment does not get on, if the other amendments which would put it on sales and income tax don't get on, my next amendment, and will be the last amendment, as far as I know, will be to bracket this until August 1st. We can do that, we can bracket this till August 1st, let the 3-R Committee do its work, come back in here early in September, pass...maybe there will be a consensus by then. But I will be adamantly opposed to the sales tax on energy and I was hoping that this was a compromise that people could accept because it does hit those people that I think that are benefiting, but I tried to structure it so that it hit them fairly. So I'd hope that you would adopt the amendment. Even though there are only 39 people here, I decided not to move to adjourn, and we will run it.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you. You have heard Senator Lamb's closing. We will now make sure that all members are here because the house is under call. I got your message, Senator Hall, we will make sure that they are all here. All members please return to your seats, we are under call. We are looking for Senators Ashford, Lindsay, Schrock, and Smith. Members, please take your seats and record your presence, please. We are under call. We are still looking for Senator Smith. Senator Lamb said we could go ahead and proceed with the vote on the Lamb amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We have a request for a roll call vote. Mr. Clerk, call the roll.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See page 2152 of the Legislative Journal.) 20 ayes, 19 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: The amendment is adopted. Next item, Mr. Clerk.