

said put it on the sales tax and the income tax, because when you do that, we know what you are doing, and if we don't like the sales tax, we are going to vote against you, we are going to send you back to the farm. If the income tax rate gets too high, we will do the same thing. And then the other recommendation that came across loud and clear was watch what you spend your money for and do without some things, and do without some of those expenditures. The average person who earns 45,000 doesn't buy everything the family wants. The average person who earns 20,000 doesn't spend all of the income that they would like to spend on certain items. So the point I want to make is this, in our personal lives, we take the income we have and allocate it to the necessary expenditures, food, clothing, shelter, and housing, et cetera, and then we have a little left over maybe for a beer once in awhile. In government, we take all the wants we have and say we need to raise this much money. Maybe there ought to be some recognition of whether or not all of those wants are actual necessities, and I think you know, as well as I do, that we could cut out some spending both at the state level and at the local subdivisions. In my local subdivisions who say, oh, you have got to return that money, I can tell you that I have been there many times and I know that there are ways that they can economize in some of those local subdivisions, and we ought to encourage them to do so. I am going to support the Schellpeper amendment. I am coming back to what I said earlier, by the time this bill gets across the board, it is going to be such an unrecognizable piece of equipment that Senator Will is going to take his name off of it, and ask that it be killed, and if he doesn't, the Governor will do so, and, hopefully, it will die a merciful death before that time. I said it before, and I have spoken to most of you, one on one, about this issue...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...but I am encouraged that more of you tonight than this morning when we began are recognizing the fact that you cannot build a temporary program on this floor in one or two days. It is not going to be possible. We ought to take...back up, take a deep breath, and say we are going to take the time that is necessary and we are going to craft a permanent solution. And it wouldn't hurt this body to sit back and have a little seminar, have some of the former tax commissioners, Peters, Fred Herrington, Murrell McNeil come in and give us a little bit of a background on taxes and how they work and what