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SENATOR ASHFORD: It's not in this amendment as it now is there.

SENATOR WARNER: So as the amendment now stands, the collection fee is not...

SENATOR ASHFORD: I'm sorry, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: The collection fee in 1120 would be stricken by your amendment.

SENATOR ASHFORD: That's correct.

SENATOR WARNER: Okay. The tax on agricultural pesticides would be stricken by your amendment.

SENATOR ASHFORD: That's correct.

SENATOR WARNER: Because that looks like that would...adds up right, thank you. Appreciate those who may want to support this on the concept of reaching some compromise and that certainly is an issue, but I have basically a problem with any of the concept of shifting from one sector to another in which, as I understand this now, that a great deal of the reduction in sales tax from business equipment and farm equipment, in fact, is being shifted to, in a number of instances at least, to sectors who are not benefitted from the exemption on the sales tax. While I can make a case, as I indicated earlier, for separating out agriculture equipment, I have a...

SENATOR CONWAY: One minute.

SENATOR WARNER: ...problem trying to do that with business equipment too and inserting the selective sales tax. I have a broader issue that bothers me too in this whole thing. I...there isn't any question in my mind some time that we're going to expand sales tax on services because of the need to have a growth in our sales tax that includes services rather than just hard goods, primarily hard goods, as is the case now, and as you all know the growth in sales tax over the years, the last 20 years has been a little over 4 percent and the growth...when adjusted per rates and the growth in income tax runs between 6.5 and 7 and there is a...and we average with a growth around 5.1 to 5.4 or somewhere in there, and there isn't any doubt in my mind that we need for stability...