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and horticultural land which is within a metropolitan area?

SENATOR HALL: Sure, if it would fit within a greenbelt definition, absolutely.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is it possible that an operation could be carrying on a commercial activity that produces substantial income that would make the land more valuable for that purpose than agricultural and horticultural, and still be taxed preferentially as agricultural land?

SENATOR HALL: Now that depends.

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR HALL: It depends, if it was in the...well, it just depends. If it was...you know, the argument that I made with regard to the machine shop, were it, you know, one could argue that that little machine shop could generate a hell of a lot more income than the farmer might make in the 40 acres that you talk about.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right.

SENATOR HALL: It just depends. And whether or not, I guess, the assessor knew what was going on in the barn out back, it depends. It's possible, anything is possible. I don't know that it's likely. And if they were made aware of it with the provisions that we currently have in statute in the greenbelt, they would be, on that property, assessed as commercial property rather than ag property.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker, do I have any more time?

SPEAKER BAACK: About five seconds.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Next speaker is Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. Speaker and members, Senator Chambers, I will probably not use all of my time, and you may have the balance of it. I want to raise this question, an individual that I know bought some land sometime ago, on the outskirts of a