

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR ASHFORD: ...that it is in our best interest to pass something here, the Governor's proposal, for example, which really does nothing, have that defeated primarily by urban or property taxpayers to say this, all the property is not going back on, my real estate taxes are not going to go down, I am not going to vote for this, so that then all the personal property tax goes on automatically, I don't think that makes any sense. I really...and I think that is the potential outcome of doing nothing, that the voters will vote, vote no, because there isn't enough time and I think that is a very good possibility. And I am not willing to take that risk, and I think it is time for us now to stand up and do what we feel is right so that we can feel good, as a body, not what the papers say, so we can go out and personally sell to our constituents something that makes sense. And maybe it isn't this amendment, maybe it is an amendment to this amendment, but let's not go home with nothing. Let's not go home with nothing at this point. Let's work very, very hard and stay here until we have something...

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR ASHFORD: ...that we can all be proud of, and I think this is a good start. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: You have heard the closing on the amendment to the committee amendments as offered by Senator Beutler. We will now vote on that amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Record vote.

SPEAKER BAACK: A record vote has been requested.

CLERK: (Read record vote. See page 90 of the Legislative Journal.) 12 ayes, 27 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: The amendment fails.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a series of amendments. I have a priority amendment or actually one that was filed by the introducer, which would take precedence over the others. The