

1 THE CHAIRMAN: You see where the change is,
2 Page 19, second line, strike taxes, and insert, assess-
3 ments.

4 Mr. Sykes?

5 MR. SYKES: I had a question that went a little
6 bit beyond that. Actually, the only thing that that last
7 clause really talks about is real property, and it seems
8 to me that any system of classification is going to
9 include property devoted to agricultural use. The ques-
10 tion isn't the impingement of that property, the question
11 is the extent to which the fact of the property is
12 destroyed to agricultural use may be made a basis for
13 classification, and I am a little bit afraid of the
14 point that I think Al Scanlan made, the word, devoted
15 to agricultural use, may be interpreted as having a
16 fixed constitutional meaning, and I think it ought to be
17 made perfectly clear that the Legislature can determine
18 the extent to which classification may be based on the
19 agricultural use of the real property; and I think that
20 this could be accomplished by putting a period after the
21 general classification provision, taxpayers property or