expansion of business, and its absence from Michigan has been a deriment to the development of a diversified em-ployment base. The Legislature should create an investment climate which at-tracts investors willing to take risks on new ventures and to channel 50 percent of venture capital funds to small busi-ness, which creates the majority of new

ness, which creates the majority of new employment.

3. Legislation to attract new food-processing centers could link Michi-gan's second industry, agriculture, with a new employment base. The advan-tage would be that a food-processing industry could create unskilled and semi-skilled opportunities which the state desperately needs.

Q-The Single Business Tax has been under attack from all sides. What, if anything, should be done to change it?

I support the following modifications

in the Single Business Tax.

1. The small-business credit designed to allow small business to retain modulars should take effect in 1983, instead of delayed implementation.

2. Workers' compensation and unem-

enterprise.

3. Exemptions that have been granted in the past to facilitate the changeover from a corporate income tax to

the Single Business Tax should be carefully reviewed before exemptions are extended.

Q-How will you vote if an equal rights amendment comes before the Congress and Legislature again? Why? How do you feel about the enactment of an equal rights amendment to the state constitution?

Women should be treated fairly un-der the law. Therefore, I support the Equal Rights Amendment and will in-troduce a resolution to ratify the new ERA by Michigan contingent upon Con-gressional action. I believe that women pressional action. I believe that women should receive equal pay for equal jobs, and that the law should not discriminate based upon sex. I have supported regislation for women to receive credit without a husband's signature, set up shelters for battered women, institute programs to help homemakers who want to return to the work force, and to create day-care programs for working mothers. I am also supporting changes in existing Michigan laws which discriminate on the basis of sex.

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Unfortunately, the budget projections of the governor's Office of Management and Budget have been eliberately deceptive.

It was in that environment of distrust that the governor presented the Legislature with yet another budget crisis. I was, at the outset, skeptical of the need and unconvinced that cuts in "nonessential" services had been fully implemented.

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In the final hours of debate, the governor presented the cults which would have been implemented, absent the tax hike. Education and mental health activities would have been further devastated.

Faced with the prospect of destruction of "basic services," I reluctantly, but responsibly, I believe, supported the governor's temporary tax hike. In doing so, I and several other senators identified and obtained from the governor \$50 million in additional cuts in nonessential programs.

The crisis dramatically demonstrated the critical importance of rebuilding

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pleted \$5.6 percent of its 1,181-mile in-terstate freeway system and another 1,728 miles in the state freeway sys-tem. This investment must be protect-ed; and there must be better manage-ment of available road monies. Thei pressure of increased construction costs and declining revenues because of the success of fuel conservation make cost-conscious management essential; and more extensive use of new "quali-yi" construction methods to extend the life of road surfaces.

Q-SEMTA has experienced a 20-per-

portation in the future will:

1. rely primarily on the creation of a
permanent local funding sources. The
withdrawal of federal operating subsidies and the limits of state funds make
local revenue sources vijal. Cities such
as Lansing. Bay City, Ann Arbor and
others have been successful in gaining
voter support for public transportation
frrough local millages. SEMTA would
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2. require rider fares to contribute a fair share of operating costs.
3. make mandatory effective cost control of operation of the bus fleet. The Magnum Oil episode illustrates that when transportation distants that when transportation distants of the control of



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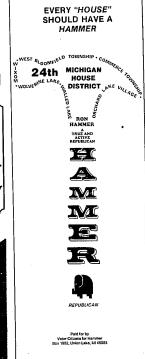
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