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SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit, are there committee amendments.

CLERK: No amendments.

SPEAKER: Thank you, Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I move the bill be advanced to E&R. Mr. President and members of the legislature, this bill provides just a little over sixty thousand dollars to fund LB 14, the bill which provides the three special, pardon me, three legal advisors for the highway patrol, the bill was discussed thoroughly I believe on general file and I said this is an A bill, now by way of explanation I do have several other bills, that have to do with this same area, I met this morning with several members of the budget committee and with the fiscal staff and we are attempting to put this together for the information of the legislature, a complete record of what has been done in this area, the amount of money that has been expended over the years, what we propose to spend this year, and the amount of personnel that will be involved. If there is any questions I'd be glad to try to answer them, if not I move the bill be advanced.

SPEAKER: Any further discussion of the bill, Senator Whitney did you wish to be heard on this bill?

SENATOR WHITNEY: Yes, Mr. President, members of the legislature, we had the law enforcement commission before the budget committee I believe it was yesterday, or the day before, and they told us that there is a possibility that we could get these things funded with seventy five percent Federal funding, and if we could do those, do that, we are going to save about three hundred and fifty thousand dollars state money on these three bills that Senator Schmit has. Now I talked to the fiscal analyst, one of them of the Governor, and he said that if we put these bills through here, that the department of administrative services, would probably assume that it should be fully state funded, and so I hope that sometime along the line we can hold these, all three of these bills up and see whether it is necessary to go through the budget committee in order to get these seventy five percent Federal funding, and I hope Senator Schmit that you will look into that because if we can save three hundred and fifty thousand dollars state money, I think it is very good to do so.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Yes Mr. President, I would like to ask Senator Schmit a question.

SPEAKER: Senator Schmit do you yield?

SENATOR SCHMIT: I yield.

SENATOR KEYES: Now this is making more highway patrolmen available for certain jobs, is this what this is? The funding it?

SENATOR SCHMIT: If we provide these funds

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