

opposite. I thank you but I wish to withdraw, Mr. President, my request to withhold this bill because it is on the wrong number and that is why I ask unanimous consent to withdraw my request to bracket this bill until the 31st.

PRESIDENT: Actually I am not sure it was in front of us at this time because we were taking Senator Warner's. So you do not ask that it be bracketed today at all. Do you have any further comment at this time, Senator Duis.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dick Lewis.

SENATOR D. LEWIS: Mr. President, I would like to direct a question or two to Senator Warner if I might.

SENATOR WARNER: Yes.

SENATOR D. LEWIS: Senator Warner, just for the record now so that I know what is going on here, the original position referral program that you are referring to that Senator Kennedy heads up was a federal grant in the beginning, is this true?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes, that is correct.

SENATOR D. LEWIS: Now, in order to continue this program, you need a vehicle to allocate the funds that are allocated or proposed for this program, is this true?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes, except it is general fund money now.

SENATOR D. LEWIS: And the federal funding is going to be terminated and this program will be continued with this grant that you are making from the general fund?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes.

SENATOR D. LEWIS: And the only reason that LB 494 is involved is because it will...this legislation will serve as a vehicle to transfer the money to that program?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes, it does that and it establishes the referral service in substantive law so we can legally make an appropriation for that purpose.

SENATOR D. LEWIS: But none of the money, the \$30,000, will be utilized by the committee established by statute in 494?

SENATOR WARNER: Right, and I have an amendment for 494 A that will further clarify it so there is no question but what the money will only go for the referral service not for the committee. But I do understand that the referral service staff will do the clerical work of the committee.

SENATOR D. LEWIS: Thank you, Senator Warner.

PRESIDENT: Senator Frank Lewis. Do you have a motion from Senator Lewis?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. President, I will wait. I have got a kill motion up there so I will wait to see what they do with this one.