

also mentioned the fact that these vacant buildings can become a tremendous liability to the state, especially if someone young and innocent would be attracted to them as what in law is known as an attractive nuisance. We could be very...well, we could be sued for a lot of money if a child got in there and harmed themselves. But the main thing is the money is just probably a one-time only shot and it will go right back into the Building Fund or the General Fund as soon as any of this property is sold. With that, I would just urge you to vote for the A bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Langford.

SENATOR LANGFORD: I was just wondering if you were making plans for a revolving fund so that whatever department these buildings were sitting on the funds could be taken from their budget and put into the budget of the Vacant Building Fund.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hannibal, please.

SENATOR LANGFORD: I'm sorry, Mr. President, I meant to ask Senator Korshoj if they were setting up a revolving fund either or...or Senator Higgins.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Korshoj, would you care to respond to Senator Langford.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: Mr. Speaker and members, no, we are not setting up a revolving fund. If we start taking anything out their budget, they will probably halfway maintain a building rather than turn it back over to us. And I think in the long run or even the short run this method will, no doubt, pay back to the state. The logical place would be to take it out of their budget, I grant you. But what they've been doing up to now is they get their budget, they close these buildings up and they use that money somewhere else, such as the maintenance and the fuel. I guess that's all I have to say.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hannibal.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and members, I would also ask Senator Korshoj if he would respond to a couple of questions. That was one of the first questions that came to my mind whether you could have a revolving fund here in talking with the Fiscal Analyst. Is there...are there provisions in the