

say, well, Loran, I'm just not ready to do it now, it's a bad procedure. Ladies and gentlemen, I know a procedure as well as anyone on this floor. I know how to get done what has to be done and I know how to stop something that you don't want to get done. I know how to avoid the tough votes and that's what we are doing if you do not vote to overrule the Speaker. Mr. President, I apologize for my personal involvement with you. I'm deeply committed to this program as I know many of you are. Sometimes, as Senator Landis says, we use different procedures...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...to come...to arrive at the same goal. I ask you to overrule the Chair.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes, Mr. President, colleagues, I, as I said a couple of days ago when we were discussing this particular issue, I thought that the issue should be resolved either one way or another, and at that time I was ready to take a vote on the bill as I'm ready to take a vote on the bill today on Final Reading if this particular motion does occur and then we move on to the next motion and then eventually Final Reading. I think it is an issue that probably the Legislature should address. Either the money goes to the Commonwealth depositors or it does not go to the Commonwealth depositors. This is the year to make a decision on the particular issue. If we are unwilling to provide the funding to reimburse the Commonwealth depositors the total \$32 million, then next year we should move on and decide whether that money should go specifically to the individuals that deposited money in American Savings and State Security, and I'm willing to look at it from that perspective. That's why I feel we should have moved to the motion, even though I do not support it, make a decision and then move on next year to make a further decision as to State Security and American Savings. Mr. President, I'd like the remainder of my time to go to Senator Ashford.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Ashford, please, about three minutes.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Thank you, Mr. President, Mr. Speaker and members, I hesitate on this last day to get into any debate with my very good friend Senator McFarland, having ran with him every