

SENATOR WARNER: Well, Mr. President, and members of the Legislature, briefly. I appreciate the discussion we've had. I have to admit that when I hear discussion of wondering about the fiscal notes and the accuracy, I can well recall when we first commenced doing A bills and fiscal notes back in the late sixties, that was the same argument. In fact, the way it was done initially there was a black board setting up there back of the press row and each day they kept track of the amount of money and you went up with the eraser and wiped off yesterday's and put today's number what was different. And that was the process we were estimating. We all know it has been significantly refined. I can only say that this is a concept, as I've said numerous times already, that's recognized nationally as one of the means that Legislatures and states can use, is being done in at least one state. It's been done there since 1985. They have indicated no problems, in visiting with them. The only thing that has occurred that's affected the law is that as penalties are increased they do, in fact, increase appropriations as necessary to reflect the increase in population. And I think that that pure process by itself gives the Legislature a much better basis to view the long-term beneficial adverse impact of legislation that's going across the board rather than to enact things and then find out some years later without having adequately looked ahead that we didn't accomplish what we thought or we created a bigger problem than we did a solution.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Warner. You've heard the closing on the advancement. We'll now vote on the advancement. All those in favor say aye. Opposed no. It is advanced. Machine vote has been requested. We will now vote. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. A record vote has been requested. It would be if it was one of your bills, yeah. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Record vote taken. See pages 2029-30 of the Legislative Journal.) 32 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement.

SPEAKER BAACK: Do you have items for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Education Committee reports LB 838 and LB 839 to General File. Signed by Senator Withem. Confirmation hearing report by the Education Committee. (See page 2030 of the Legislative Journal.)