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Very important we have accountability here. We aren't just turning this thing over to HHS and saying, do what you can with it. The State Treasurer is involved, they will enter into the agreement. It does not allow for privatization, there's no wording in this amendment to do that. It simply states the State Treasurer will do these things. Creates the fund, and the rest of the amendment cleans up some language and just reference to words, and the State Treasurer, the funds and so on, that's what the rest of it does. But repeating myself, for those who weren't here, weren't listening first time around, this tightens the bill up considerably, a whole bunch, and creates the Child Support Fund, it creates, you know, that the State Treasurer will be the one collecting the funds, will be disbursing the funds, all at the direction, of course, of HHS. It makes them accountable to the Legislature with an annual report January 1st of each year. And, with that, I believe that explains the amendment. I'd be glad to answer questions and so on. Would ask for your support of this amendment to LB 637. With that, I would yield my time back to the Chair, I guess. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, I would ask to divide the question.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Brown, would you and Senator Baker please come to the front, so I can begin to look at this division, to see if it is divisible.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Brown, I'm going to take your request for division under advisement. Mr. Clerk, there's a priority motion.

CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to bracket the bill until May 24 of 1999, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on your bracket motion.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature,