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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Members of the Legislature, I think we're going to have some interesting discussions as we deal with the budget process, but I don't think I will start them at this point, as I was tempted to do.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Further debate on advancement? Senator Wehrbein, recognized to close. He waives closing. The question before the body is the advancement of LB 540. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 540.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Bill advances. We next move to LB 541. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: LB 541, introduced by the Speaker at the request of the Governor, relates to the Cash Reserve Fund. (Read title.) Bill was introduced on January 11, referred to the Appropriations Committee, advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM1514, Legislative Journal page 1593.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wehrbein, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. Speaker and members, this is an important issue to understand as we move, before we go into the mainline appropriations bill, which will be LB 543. This has to do with the Cash Reserve Fund and recall that this takes two distinct actions. We have two...two committee amendments in this one, and this particular one is...will...the one I will be talking about. This is...and I will speak to the committee amendment in just a second, but...so I'm ready for the committee amendment, which will be the actual transfers.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wehrbein, you're recognized to open on the committee amendment.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: And as I...do you have...I want to be sure