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LB 17

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to adopt the Warner amendments to LB 17. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk, record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion carried. The amendment is adopted. Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the body, because of some of the debate that was offered on General File, the concerns that Senator Warner and others had about cost to local governments, I am offering an amendment to the bill which I think will resolve that question and if I could have the Clerk read the amendment, please.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Clerk, read the amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, Section 5, line 23, delete the period and insert "as long as such request is not excessive or prohibitively costly the department may compensate a state or local official or agency for excessive cost incurred in preparing the report."

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes, that is the amendment. I think it is self-explanatory. We are saying that it should not be prohibitively costly or excessive in its demands and that if they are the department may compensate the local governments for that cost. I would move the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: A question of Senator Newell.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Newell, do you yield?

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: It was my understanding that essentially the kind of information that we would be requiring from the bill is information that the assessor normally has in the course of business now, that we were not expecting new or additional things. Is that correct?

SENATOR NEWELL: That is correct, Senator Warner. The only reason I am offering this amendment is as an additional safeguard that, you know, it is just additional protective language if people feel it is necessary.

SENATOR WARNER: I am not uncomfortable with...I don't