

meet the monthly payments to the U. S. Treasury, refunds and other adjustments and the administrative costs of the State Social Security Bureau. This surplus is thus available to supplement the state general fund as the Legislature may from time to time direct." As I understand this process, we have over \$5 million that has accrued as far as interest is concerned and the executive branch would propose if the Legislature agrees to transfer as of the first of July the \$5 million which has been out and comes back to us in the form of interest earned and that \$5 million would be used to add this to the state general fund. So what we are really doing, as I understand it, is to replace or add to the state general fund this amount of \$5 million. So that is the only explanation I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I was somewhat distracted while Senator Marvel was talking but I would like to ask a question of I guess Senator Marvel. Senator Marvel, I see a stamped notation on the green book in the bill book that there is no fiscal impact so my question is this. If that money is transferred from this fund where it currently is collecting interest or drawing interest and transferred to the general fund, then that money that would draw interest is no longer drawing interest so that would be a reduction in revenue, wouldn't it?

SPEAKER MARVEL: That is right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that is not considered a fiscal impact?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Let me read you what the summary of the changes are. "LB 156 authorizes the transfer of interest earnings of the social security contribution fund to the state general fund at the direction of the Legislature. Since the accrued interest earnings may periodically be in excess of that necessary to meet the obligations of such fund, any surplus would be available for transfer to the state general fund as the Legislature may from time to time direct. The Governor's 1981-82 budget recommendations include a recommendation that \$5 million in accrued interest earnings be transferred from the social security contribution to the state general fund." Now that is a long way around to answer your question, but as I understand it, if the \$5 million is taken out and put into the general fund, there is that much less that could be paid out...that interest could be accumulated on.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is that a fiscal impact because it does