

money. I respect Senator Haberman. I agree with you, Senator Haberman, the bill will probably not sunset unless there are not going to be any more of these handicapped people. If that happens, God bless us. We will all be happy. I think that we have to recognize and we are going to say it right out here again up front, it is going to take an expenditure of money. I think Mr. Knight of the Welfare Department is not known for one who throws money around. I think that he has been a conservative person. I know the rest of the staff on the executive side is not one who is going to want to throw money around. We have been encouraged and supported in the introduction of this bill and I think the bill will in the long run result in less cost to the state than if we do not pass it. I want to say once again, I have known of individual instances where it would cost twenty-five or thirty thousand dollars annually to provide the kind of care that a person such as this might need. We are getting that for less than ten dollars a day, twenty-four hour a day care, the kind of care you can't buy and pay for, the kind of care that lets the individual know he has a family, maintains the family ties and connections. I think it is important in a day and age when family ties are sometimes driven apart I think it is important that we recognize the necessity of maintaining those ties. I ask you to support the bill. I do not apologize in any way for the cost of the bill. We can save that and I am willing to do my part to save the money in some other manner. In fact, I am preparing an amendment right now if we need it so that we can strike that \$50,000 off of 331. We will get along without that money. So I hope that you understand where I am coming from and I know you understand where Senator Wesely is coming from. It is not altogether very often that Senator Wesely and I are going to stand up together on a bill. I think that in itself is enough to cause some concern on the part of some of you but the fact that we are indicates that we did feel there was a genuine need and I ask you to support the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Boy, it looks like I have got this one all to myself. Senator Higgins, the money to pay for this is going to come from those people in your district who you have been telling us are on a fixed income and are hurting for money because we are going to have to raise the sales and income tax. The money to support this program is going to hurt the poor because we are going to have to raise the sales and income tax. We are going to hurt the low income people. Now I would say that people in this condition, possibly now are receiving Social Security funds. They are possibly receiving funds from