

where they will be coming from that additionally when we look at the cost of construction right now it is considered to be at least one percent per month, so if you lay that over you can see what it is going to be next year in addition to what we are talking about at the present time. When we pay the money to make the plan the architects and engineers report to us, then I think it is time we should heed that and proceed. That way we know we are trying to keep up with those things that have been identified as needing repair and improvement. We all have heard the old antage a stitch in time saves nine, and an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. It is just like a lot of things in this state, we have looked over them for a lot of years, we have looked over our highways and we haven't repaired them or made those kinds of maintenance repairs that we need. Suddenly we are looking at huge sums of money. I don't know how long we can defer these things and still look the public in the eye and the tax payers and say, I'm sorry, but all of a sudden we have huge problems. Just like highways we have had revenue bonds available, we haven't used them except only again one governor and that was Tiemann. The rest of the time we have sat by and watched highways either by not being built or not being maintained. Yet we know that it is a part of the economic bloodstream of this state. I'm saying here today that if we want to bring this building into some kind of condition which is energy efficient which improves its environment for the visually impaired and for other kinds of people, now is the time to do it. For us to delay is merely going to cost additional money and I think you can justify that to the public by doing it now and not waiting until tomorrow. I ask for the adoption of this amendment. Again I will state since the governor is frequently used on this floor in convenience, Governor Thone did have that particular piece of money in his budget and we are merely carrying out his wishes and I would ask for the adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: The question is the adoption of the Koch amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? We are voting on the adoption of the Koch amendment to 562. Senator Koch, what do you want to do?

SENATOR KOCH: How many are excused Mr. Chairman?

SENATOR CLARK: I think there are two.