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SENATOR CLARK: All right, it is ready for the debate. If not we are voting on the first division of the question. Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Can you read it.

SENATOR CLARK: Read it? You haven't got it there? Strike original Sections 11, 13 to 22, and Section 24 and insert the following new sections. All those in favor will vote aye, opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President on the adoption of that portion of the committee amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Motion carries. The first part of the division is adopted. Now the second part. It goes from Section 12 over to Section 13. Is that right? All right, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: In essence, this is LE 932 that was heard in the Public Health and Welfare Committee, I believe it is still there. What this section does is it affects Medicaid and it would put state law for mandated programs to be in conformance with the same as mandated federal programs and would leave all other programs optional with the state depending upon the level of funding. I would suggest that essentially the level of funding contained in the Appropriation bill would reflect even if the programs were mandated but by removing them it would provide the department with greater flexibility in the event the funds are not adequate to cover all of the programs over the next twelve months.

SENATOR CLARK: We have an amendment for the second part Senator Warner.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chronister would move to amend this portion of the committee amendments. (Read Chronister amendment).

SENATOR CHRONISTER: Mr. President, Senator Cullan has an amendment and with your permission, Mr. President, and the permission of the body, I will defer to Senator Cullan's amendment first.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Cullan. Do you have an amendment for Senator Cullan there, Mr. Clerk? Do you have an amendment from Senator Cullan?