

because I don't have a lot of courage I am only asking to add \$850,000 to that meager sum.

SENATOR KAHLE: Senator Warner, your light is on, do you wish to speak on this part of the issue?

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I would readily agree with many of the things that Senator Newell has pointed to as to the benefits of the deferred maintenance program or what we used to call LB 309 and now about to become the 604 Committee, I suppose, Senator Tope, that certainly the deferral of those kind of expenditures is only that it is to deferral and may well cost more at a later time. But again because of the time, we are re-~~fraining~~ that we stay at the \$1 million figure for the current year. Originally, when we came to the original committee amendment ~~the~~ ~~we~~ propose three or four weeks ago we had it at \$2 million, and there was a lot of concern and discussion in the committee at that level. But I see no alternative now but to stay at that \$1 million figure. If you look at the fiscal note on LB 604, I think it is, it points out that there is probably like \$6,600,000 of work that could have been done. I certainly would agree that it could have done, but I guess the state is going to be like a lot of us in a lot of areas that some of these expenditures no matter how prudent it would be to do them are going to have to be deferred because of the economy, and because of that reason I would oppose Senator Newell's motion, not on the basis that work doesn't need to be done, obviously it does, but the only way we are going to do it is at the expense of some other programs and I think that would not be a wise choice.

SENATOR KAHLE: Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I find myself in the position of supporting the comments which Senator Newell has said for I, too, am aware that we have much that needs to be done in the way of roof repair, in the way of access for handicapped, but I find myself aware that if you are putting in dollars, that makes the adjustment very simple for the Governor to veto those dollars out. And unless there are 30 of you on the floor who are willing to override a veto, I would suggest that you do not support this amendment. Even though I believe the amendment is a need, I believe it must be postponed...must be postponed so that we can have a balanced budget this year. This is the result of many, many hours, and, Senator Newell, it hurts me to say I cannot support the amendment when the