arbitrary allocation of these funds. So I would like to ask Senator Warner if there is some other source of funds that will make up this amount of money since the Department is apparently relying upon it, or will you rely upon voluntary contributions yet to be determined in size by the various commodity boards?

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, Senator Schmit, if you had been here you would have heard yesterday that I withdrew the one committee amendment which would have been required to effectuate the six sections that you earlier discussed. At the time I did that, I indicated and I appreciate that you and I probably do not speak to the same checkoff board members perhaps that have an interest, but those who called me, by the way, I didn't have to call them or write them a letter, those who called me indicated that they were very willing to cooperate with the Department of Ag. They thought it was important that they be a part of the Department of Ag, work with the Department of Agriculture. But they, like myself, and as you have pointed out, preferred that it would be done on a contractural basis, on a voluntary basis which I concur in and in fact had proposed...the Appropriations Committee has twice proposed that on a voluntary basis. This year we brought the issue a little bit more to a head by some of the legislation that could be considered. What I said the other day based upon meetings that some of the checkoff boards, and I understand the Wheat Board would not be interested under any circumstances, but some of the others indicate that they think that some cooperative effort would be appropriate. They are willing to do it and they were going to have some suggestions on how that could be worked out. Now your amendment is only striking \$65,000 which, in their cash fund authorization, which they probably ought to be able to retain so it can be done voluntarily. So I don't think that would be wise. I also told the checkoff boards as far as I would be concerned I would not support replacing that \$65,000 with general fund money, that if they do not work out some programs, the Department of Ag will just have to get along without that \$65,000 general fund money that we reduced it by. So I don't know that we are on different sides or same sides but I do know that the adoption of your amendment could perhaps make it from an Appropriation point of view, at least, difficult if not impossible for them to even cooperatively do it, so I don't think you want to adopt that.

SENATOR SCHMIT: What you are saying then, Senator Warner, and I will get back to some of your earlier comments after