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looked at your Journal and know what this amendment does, I will read it to you. "It is the intent of the Legislature that governing bodies of political subdivisions which experience a decrease in anticipated receipts from state tax sources as a result of this act", which is LB 1, "deem such decrease to be an emergency situation within the meaning of section 23-929 and section 77-3428", which means that when they make their next budget because of these anticipated sources of income which they figured before, they are not going to get them now, obviously, but they still use that as a base for 7% for the following year in terms of their budgetmaking process. I think this is the only reasonable thing we can do now and, obviously, your minds are made up. You are going to make the cuts. The least you can do now is to say, all right, we are going to cut your money we promised you but under this case this is an emergency. So the 7% does not apply to those sources of dollars which we once committed to you and now are not going to deliver to you, which will keep them in many cases from having to go to a vote of the people which many times is not the easiest thing in the world to do. That is the least we can do, ladies and gentlemen. I ask your support of this amendment. Let's show some good faith before we leave here Saturday.

SENATOR LAMB: The motion is the adoption of Senator Koch's amendment. Those in support vote aye, those opposed vote no.

CLERK: Senator Lamb voting no.

SENATOR LAMB: Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk. Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Chairman, I would ask for a record vote, please.

SENATOR LAMB: A record vote, please.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 54, Legislative Journal.) 12 ayes, 30 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the Koch amendment.

SENATOR LAMB: The motion fails. Next amendment, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment would be offered by the Appropriations Committee. At this time I do not have the amendment in front of me. I do have the blue handout that has been provided to the membership. I understand the amendment is being prepared and printed and will be down here shortly, Senator.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I would think for the purposes of convenience of discussing it, we can just use the blue sheet that was passed out to you this morning and then those areas or agencies that you want to have adjusted, motions to change at least, if you would make them in effect to the blue sheet and the staff can draft the amendment technically to fit the bill then, but at