

next year, so hang on next year. The other argument you hear is \$50 million isn't enough. You betcha, it is not enough. Obviously, it is not enough. Why isn't it enough? Because we have ignored the property taxpayers in here for the last 10 years. We have created a situation, where it is going to take the type of dollars that Senator Scofield has talked about to solve it, and we are going to have to do some of the things Senator Warner has talked about to solve the problem. We have got to broaden that base. We have got to have some growth element of our tax base to fund education. We have got to do those things, but there is such a big problem now, we are not going to be able to bite it off in one big bite. If we do, we are going to choke. You only solve problems one step at a time. You go...very, very rarely in here do we grab a hold of the big picture. I would like to. I have been spending the summer working with folks. Senator Moore has been. Senator Lamb has been. Working with some folks to try to find a better method to finance education in this state, and that is the ultimate solution, no question about it. Fifty million dollars is just a small bite, but if you don't start taking that small bite, and if you don't start nibbling, you are going to choke when the real problem comes down, and that is why we have to take this step today, and that is why we need to support the motions that are now motions as opposed to a motion to suspend the rules.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Schmit, please, further discussion on the suspension of the rule.

SENATOR SCHMIT: (No response.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Warner, please, discussion on the rule suspension, followed by Senators Abboud, Moore, Chambers.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I just want to make the comment, and it is I am not going to vote to suspend the rule. I do want to make a comment that in the event the bill is up, because I am, like everyone else, interested in property tax relief, and I have filed to be printed in the Journal to increase the amount to something meaningful, as well as the necessary tax increase so that I am on the side of what is necessary to increase state aid to reduce property taxes. The point I wanted to make, though, at this point is that if we are, in fact, going to reduce property taxes, and the motion I have filed on the bill would relate to this, but I started to indicate you have got to have a funding