

that is sufficiently uncertain and without a statement of intent like 683 has, so that the bond mechanism is unavailable to a city. And there is a critical difference, by the way, in doing that. If you allow us to use this for bonds, those bonds, admittedly, could be done now, but they would be paid by property tax monies, not sales and income tax monies which is the kind...oh, I am sorry, in this case, cigarette tax money which is of the basis of 683.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: In other words, the difference is between bonding on property tax or bonding on cigarette tax monies without further burdening local municipalities on their property tax. With respect to Senator Chambers argument, I would like to point out that the same distribution of money in this bill is the same way we distribute the voting franchise in this state, one man, one vote. I don't hear you objecting to that theory when the time comes, but when you use the same principle in this case for distribution of money, Senator Chambers is up in arms. I think the point he had in small towns are well able to defend themselves and this principle on a municipal basis is certainly one that you endorse when it comes to something as precious as the franchise. With respect to Senator Wehrbein's argument, and that is that this does not have a public at large value, take a look at the list of the bills, it goes to 537 communities who are able to determine for themselves the best way to meet the needs of their people with respect to their infrastructure and the very unpolitically palatable difficult paying for things such as sewers and streets. I think that is a very good political statewide, border-to-border benefit that this bill carries.

PRESIDENT: Time.

SENATOR LANDIS: I hope you will endorse the measure and vote for the bill to be drawn from committee.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Warner, please, followed by Senator Scofield.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I was trying to think of some appropriate Greek mythology to respond to Senator Landis because I am sure there has to be an appropriate one, but it doesn't immediately come to mind. I