

Legislature would like to at least conceptually consider the fact that should things work out that we would have some money set aside in anticipation of future economic problems, should they occur. Conceptually, it would seem to me that is a very prudent thing to do, but since the discussion has gone on quite awhile today, I can refile that, or, Mr. Clerk, not refile it, it can be filed for a Select File amendment, and I would withdraw it now if there are no other amendments and the bill could be advanced and we could move on.

SPEAKER BARRETT: There are no other amendments, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: If that is the case, Mr. President, for now I would withdraw it and ask though that it be filed as a Select File amendment for consideration at that point, and we will have a clearer picture perhaps. But with that, I would move that LB 525 be advanced as amended.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The amendment is withdrawn. We are on the motion to advance the bill. Senator Moore, would you care to speak to it.

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, in light of the vote to strike Section 3 of the bill, I know it is a little bit of a concern to me, at least, and others. As always, it is one of those things that looked like the 22 or 23 members of the body who voted against placing that section in the bill are saying no to any sort of rainy day fund or saying no to setting money aside in good times to save for later at bad times. And I think it was many people's opinion, at least, and definitely mine, I am not against doing that. As a matter of fact, I would like to do that either through LB 310 or possibly a lesser dollar amount at some later stage. But I think the effort to strike Section 3 from the bill was a feeling that many of us had, at least, that that particular money was in competition with some very important programs to us, and I will say, once again, that if the members of this body are of the opinion that it is indeed wise to put some money aside for a rainy day, or as I say an even drier day, I would like to do that and would be willing to work with members of the body to do that, but as I said, I think if you are going to do that, the money has to come from somewhere, and I don't think it should come just from one bill. I think it could come from LB 814, the capital construction bill, that we talked about yesterday and I have said I was 6-10 before that debate started two days ago and I am 5-10 now after