

day. I think that people like Senator Lamb and others are very well aware of the drought and what kind of effect that that might have our economy over the next year or two and I think that we need to be prudent and I think that we need to be cautious. And, Senator Moore, I don't think that if we, as a body, as just as if we would in our own family budgets, if we don't make the decision right here and now to set money aside for a rainy day, we're not going to do it. You have got to make that decision before you finish your spending priorities. So I would encourage this body to look very carefully at the Warner amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Warner, please, followed by Senator Hall.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I just want to, at this point, address a couple of items that have come up and I think that Senator Korshoj or you used a couple of comments, one that maybe we were up to protect something, or I am. You know, the reverse is quite the case, as a matter of fact. It's accurate that I have an amendment up on LB 84 that reduces it from 98 million to 57, which is approximately 40 million. I assume that won't go. If this amendment is adopted, I stated originally it takes 40 million off the sheet. The Governor cannot veto down LB 98, the money, without distorting the distribution. So that, once it is passed, is in place. The only thing I'm making vulnerable are A bills and the appropriations recommended by the Appropriations Committee, that's all. And the bulk of that is going to hit the appropriations and the bulk of it's going to hit capital construction. There isn't any doubt about that, in my opinion, and A bills; certainly will not affect LB 98. Now, at a later date we can affect 98...or LB 84 with the 98 million; at a later date we can affect that with an amendment. But after today, that's in place, fixed. If it passes, that's the end of it. So I am well aware of what I am making vulnerable. But the overriding issue to me is some stability for revenue in the long run and that is the reason for offering it. It's also true that I have talked about and it would certainly be my intent, if the money is set aside, to seek some relief for the investors in the various industrials. But that won't happen without 25 votes and it will not happen until next session. What I do know is that that even...that possibility does not exist unless there is funds there. But it also, if it fails, the money will still be there for the rainy day fund which there is no doubt in my mind that we're heading in that direction.