

been said that the lobbyists control this Legislature. Well, this morning we voted this amendment on with \$18 million with quite a majority. I don't remember what it was. I believe it was 30 some votes. Then we come back after lunch and say we did wrong, we did wrong. I can't believe how the tempo was changed. I am sure that some of the lobbyists got ahold of some of these senators and said, did you know what you was doing; do you think you did right? And, of course, some of them must of had a change in heart, but I sincerely think that we ought to increase state aid to schools this year and I am going to support the advancement of this bill.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Moore, followed by Senator Warner. Senator Moore

SENATOR MOORE: I pass.

PRESIDENT: Okay, we will go to Senator Warner, please, followed by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR WARNER: Well, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, it has been pointed out, there is roughly 52 million in this bill right now. It leaves in reserve in the morning on the green sheet, will be down to below 1 percent and, obviously, as we all know something has to be done. I guess the motion that is pending is to temporarily advance it and there is a reason for it, because, obviously, this is the bill that has to be a vehicle to make some adjustments. I guess my tendency is to want to advance the bill and work it later with specific amendments as opposed to leave it on Select File, but that is a judgment that everybody can individually make as to what they feel is best. The other thing I do not know is when the bill would be placed on the agenda again. I assume it is pending on Select File. If it is over on Final Reading, it, obviously, could be worked, so I guess my suggestion, you know everybody has to decide themselves how best the bill can be utilized to help balance the budget. Most certainly if it is not advanced at all, that is \$52 million out of the problem, and at some point, I might be very sympathetic to that. So with those comments, I would urge you to use your judgment as to which place the bill can be most effectively utilized to do some things.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Mr. Clerk, we have a priority motion?