

justifiably so. I want to reiterate that monies expended thus far are monies that have been expended at the total cost of the entity involved. If they are to participate under the bill, under the Warner amendment, if they had...if they spent \$100,000 so far, that money is gone. If they have to spend another \$100,000, they first have to...they have to spend the first dollar of that new money and then they spend \$10,000 before they become involved at all in the sharing of the fund. They have to spend a total of \$25,000 of new expenditure before they can participate totally in the fund, as would any other entity that is not...that is going to be covered under the bill. So there is no way that we go back and pick up any of the expense that has been incurred prior to this time. It is from this point forward so that we do not have that concern relative to the outstanding obligations. The money expended is money gone. That's money expended as you had to do so based upon that law at that time. All we do now is to say under the current law we treat the individuals who have a problem the same as we treat the ones who were not knowledgeable about a problem that occurred. So I think it's simplified. I believe it's equitable. I believe it's fair and I would hope that you would support it. I believe it will, more than anything else, it will foster confidence in a program because, as you all know, any time you have a small group, be they Commonwealth, be they environmental people, be they educators or farmers who are left out, be they the little waste folks, we have a terrific problem trying to solve that problem of inequity. Let's not create another category of those individuals in this instance where we can afford it, where we can avoid it. And thank you very much. I would hope you would support the Warner amendment. I would hope that everyone is here.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of the Warner amendment to the Schmit amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Warner's amendment to the Schmit amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Warner amendment to the Schmit amendment is adopted. Now we're back to the Schmit amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have an amendment to that by Senators Landis, Coordsen and Warner. That amendment is on page 2390.