

funding, then they need to do it up front, in front of the people, and have courage to do so. We have gotten tax money, whether intended or unintended, but the people believe it to be tax money that belongs to them.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: We need to turn it back. I move that we vote against or urge that we vote against the bracket.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I know...

SPEAKER BARRETT: No, I'm sorry, Senator Schmit. I beg your pardon. (Laughter.)

SENATOR SCHMIT: Now we're even, Jackie. (Laughter.) Probably I'm a couple up on you anyway. Maybe I'll even have a few minutes left. If we keep talking, pretty soon we won't have anyone left on this floor who even voted for 773. (Laughter.) It will be the only bill that ever became law with just the Governor's signature. (Laughter.) And I'm not going to reiterate many of the statements I made. Senator Hannibal said this is a two punch deal. It's kind of a heavy weight punch, when it was delivered, and a light weight punch when we sent it back. But that is also the prerogative of the Legislature. And even a light weight punch is better than nothing. I'm going to vote against the bracket, I'm going to vote for the bill and I'm not going to reiterate all of the comments that have been made here. Any of you who want to do so can go back and read the transcript on 773, you really ought to do it some time. You might possibly, you might possibly think twice then, once in a while, ladies and gentlemen, before you vote for a bill based upon someone who said it isn't going to do this, or it isn't going to do that. You might just take a little time and read a bill once in awhile, read the bill. You voted this morning on a whole bunch of bills, and a few more this afternoon, which at some point in time some well-intended legislator is going to stand on this floor and say, I never really thought I was doing that. Well, ladies and gentlemen, the less you read on this floor and the less you listen the less you usually know. And at this point in time, as I've said many times, plenty of excuses, plenty of alibis to go around. But, as I said this morning, this is one, small way to restructure some of the taxes