

it further at that time. For that reason, I would move that the motion to refer to a committee be adopted.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hefner, please.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I would support this motion to send it to the Reference Committee. I really...I really don't know what we want to disclose and what we don't want to disclose. Some of the things we can disclose and some of the things we can't. But here the Revenue Department says that they're willing to disclose this which they previously said they didn't care to disclose. But I guess I'm a little baffled here. Senator McFarland wants the Revenue Department to disclose their bonuses and then, on the other hand, he says he don't want to disclose the name of the employee that contacted him before. So who do we want...what disclosure do we want? And how much do we want to protect the confidentiality of people? He wants to protect that employee at the Department of Revenue, and I don't blame him. He probably should be protected. But same way, on the other hand, same way some of these bonus payments probably should be protected. And so I would just say that it looks to me like this would be up to the Reference Committee and to reference it to a committee that could dig it out. I don't know, Senator McFarland, would you care to answer a question?

PRESIDENT: Senator McFarland.

SENATOR HEFNER: Are there other departments that have bonus payments?

SENATOR MCFARLAND: My understanding is that there are several departments that have bonus payments. The Department of Revenue is the only department, to my knowledge, who has had a request to disclose how those bonus payments were allocated.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay, do those other departments disclose their bonus payments?

SENATOR MCFARLAND: They have never been requested to and that...and that is why I think this resolution is important because it will establish a precedent which says if they are requested to, they should disclose as well.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay, so I would support this motion or maybe