

and this particular bill never quite had the votes at any given time in order to be advanced. There is no question as to what will be true of many amendments coming up on a variety of things that additional funds to complete the entire structure for the greenhouse complex would be a desirable thing to do. It is one of these items, it's sort of ironic when we talk about, as we were this morning, of giving the regents a lump sum appropriation and then we got the capital construction. As I recall, this was 14A on their priority list of capital construction, which put it way down next to the bottom of the list as of last year and, of course, they did not renew any requests for capital construction this year and the issue would not have been before us had the bill not been introduced. It's an issue like many of the others that we'll be facing or you will be facing, we will be facing of where 900,000 is used here it cannot be used somewhere else. And while it would be, perhaps, be more expensive to have to do this next beginning of the biennial session next year than to complete it now, I wouldn't disagree with that, but these same arguments, of course, could be made in numerous areas, but, in any event, the bill that proposed construction did not get out of the committee yet and Senator Coordsen is using this approach, of course, which is certainly appropriate to bring the issue to the Legislature for approval. I have no objection to the greenhouses, personally. I certainly could argue all the merits but, nevertheless, it seems to me that with the revenue situation what it is that a lot of good things may not be able to be addressed this year and, unfortunately, probably the 900,000 for this is one of those areas.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Wehrbein, please.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. President, and members, this is one of the difficult decisions that we're all going to have to make. I assume that there is going to be 49 agendas that each of us is going to set as we move through the budget process. I will be going to support this at least on General File, partly because I think it deserves to be considered along with a lot of others that we are going to be considering. There are many, many amendments coming that are going to compete for the same dollars that we're talking about. I know there is an advancement of raising the tax structure someday. I'm not inclined to do so at this time, so it simply means that our decisions, I think for most of us, are going to be more difficult as we decide what should go in the budget and what shouldn't. Senator Warner