

there on General, Select and Final Reading and you're going to come up with big numbers. Couple that with the revenue forecast that went down \$70 million two weeks ago and I'd suggest we have some hard choices to make and as long as we have taken care of the absolute necessary situation, we have gone far enough with what we have done for the mental retardation regions right now.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: I'm going to oppose the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Additional discussion on the amendment to the amendment, Senator Warner, followed by Senators Nelson, Crosby and Schimek.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Hannibal has explained the details very well from the rationale in which the committee acted and I will not repeat that, suffice to say that obviously as others of you, I certainly represent an area that has the most to gain or to lose, as the case may...depending on how you look at it, from this proposed amendment but it seems to me and I am very comfortable with what the committee did. I am not convinced that services will be terminated or that it is that they need to be terminated based upon the budget recommendation that we have put together and then aside from this is this problem of funding for MR generally that's been with us now for some time. I'm very hesitant to add more and above what I believe is the amount necessary to get through this year, this biennium, till we get a chance to review that whole mechanism for how the funds are distributed, so I'm in support of the amendment to the...it's part of the bill as the Appropriations Committee recommended in its amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I, too, I believe the same as Senator Hannibal at this point. I've tried to do a little more checking, a little more homework. Senator Schimek isn't in here. She said I start out with I don't know what I'm going to do, well, that's actually right most of the time. I find that \$1.7 million increase included, this is the information given me, \$500,000 to take care of the people that were on the waiting list in '89 and '90. I also find that 25 percent, the Regional Directors say, in analyzing some of the