

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Mr. President, I filed this motion, hopefully, so that we can at least get some discussion or not. I think I'll wait for the discussion to take place as to whether or not I actually want to bring it to a vote. I don't know at this particular point. My intention right now is to bring it to a vote.

PRESIDENT: Senator Bernard-Stevens, just a moment, please. Senator Wesely, did you wish to take it up now?

SENATOR WESELY: Yes, absolutely, absolutely.

PRESIDENT: All right. Senator Bernard-Stevens, proceed, please.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: The bill itself I know has been compromised out and sometimes when we get on the floor we hear the discussion saying everyone has agreed to it, but sometimes we have to dig a little bit further and just ask, what is it that everyone has agreed to and is that which they have agreed to worth our doing? And I have some severe questions, some sincere questions about that. I don't view this anything more than simple harassment as far as in the future of what is going to happen with the figures that we have. I would again point out to the body that what will happen with the passage of this bill is that each of us would get a booklet with different information in, and at that point each of us can feel we're free to make whatever assumptions we want. And if that is what the body wants to do, that is fine. If we want to have 49 different assumptions of what the numbers mean and what they say and what it implies, that is fine. We also have a Department of Revenue that has this information and the department is saying for reasons that I would have to assume are legitimate, they do not feel that some of this information should be made public. I suspect it's because of some of the sensitivities that some of the companies have. I think what it comes down to is on every agency that we, for example, don't know if we trust their figures or numbers, are we going to have the agencies give us the reports so we can personally make the analysis? And if we're going to do that on 775, let's go ahead and get some of the information on foster care. Let's go get some of the information on Social Services. Let's go get some of the information elsewhere on mentally handicapped on some of the funds and where it is going. Let's make sure that we the Legislature have a report on all these things since we really