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submission, capital construction, planning, we're talking about programmatic review, the planning function, the submission of budgets and capital construction requests, that those are basic subject matter areas which the Coordinating Commission would have jurisdiction. And, depending on how far we go in prescribing how they are to carry those functions out, they could become responsible for making budget submissions. They could become responsible for doing the long-range planning, in the event there was some follow-up legislation in which we identified and further defined the coordination. That would be fair?

SENATOR WARNER: Yeah, it's exactly as 1141, as it was introduced and amended, gave definition to those functions of 239 in implementing legislation. That is correct.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: Then the answer is yes, right? Okay. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Landis. Thank you. Senator Schmit. Senator Schmit. Senator Moore, on the amendment. Thank you. Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, Mr. President, members. I believe that Senator Conway's amendment is essential to make this a good proposal. That's one of the objections I've had to LR 239, that for all practical purposes the community technical colleges were left out of it. And then Senator Warner's concern that this may make the property tax for community colleges suspect, that even lends more strength to this proposal. I think we should develop that, because I think eventually most people are going to agree that that property tax authority should be removed from those colleges. Now, before all those people descend on us en masse, let's just hope that we get out of here. But I think that's a strong part of this proposal. And I think Senator Warner did not think I was sincere when I said we should give the Coordinating Commission more authority rather than split up our whole postsecondary educational system into seven separate entities. That's not correct, because I think that's what should be done. And I believe this proposal has a lot of merit with Senator Conway's amendment. There are probably some rough edges here that...Senator Landis has pointed out that we need to define exactly what those duties are and what the terms mean.