

commission would not go into place until sometime after we have adjourned. The only cost, the direct cost would be the per diem or the expenses of the resources commission. Perhaps if we are unable to fund it we can ask them to waive those fees until we can come back sometime later and fund it. The A bill, 1237 A bill was not able to catch up with this obviously and there is not an A bill for 1059.

SENATOR MOORE: Once again, my concern, Senator Wickersham, is it your intent that the court or the administrator, the per diem is in statute, is it not, in your amendment?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes.

SENATOR MOORE: And do you expect the court to...I mean I don't know how they can arbitrarily suspend if it says they're supposed to pay a per diem, are you saying the court can eat that cost?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Well, Senator, based on the position that we're in with this piece of legislation, it's my hope that either the court administrator's office can find some slack in their budget or we will be able to work with future appointees to the resources commission so that we can get through the start-up period and perhaps fund them on a more regular basis at some later time.

SENATOR MOORE: Once again, and I don't mean to nitpick at this late hour, but it's a (inaudible) situation where there's a small, and it's only a \$12,000 impact, it's minimal obviously; but at the same time, there is a letter circulating on this floor from the Supreme Court saying they have a hiring freeze into effect because they can't afford to do things. And here we're passing a bill, advantage them to do more things, though small in dollar amount, we're not giving them money to do it. It's things like that which causes more problems. As I said, there's an intensive probation. The letter somebody showed me today that they're concerned about the court saying because of the across-the-board cut they have to absorb to do these things, here once again the body is going to...I know I have a problem with that, I do want to help out on this but this is another provision that probably needs some money or once again you're going to cause more problems for the court and it should have an A bill. Obviously, at this point in time that is impossible to do, but I would hope...maybe we ought to take the per diem cost