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way or another is going to translate into their source of income, and for most communities that is the property taxes. So it's not always a project by project basis. But I don't think there's any expenditure that may be necessary for that community that, unless there's some other source of funds and it's truly necessary, something is going to have to be cut, and there is without question some translation into what the property tax burden would be. But this is offered in the spirit that, I guess, to some degree is a compromise with respect to the idea that here is a way that we can address this particular session, in this particular budget cycle with the same amount of dollars, but gives them an opportunity to at least come back and argue into the future whether or not this should be an ongoing or not. And then I think it's all too often, once it's gone, it's hard to argue it back in. So it's offered in that spirit.

SPEAKER BAACK: You've heard the closing on the amendment offered by Senator Conway. We will now vote on the amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. A record vote has been requested. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on pages 140-41 of the Legislative Journal.) 14 ayes, 21 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: The amendment fails.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Lynch would move to amend the bill. (Lynch amendment may be found on page 119 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Lynch.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. Speaker and members, Senator Warner said on the floor this morning that long-term cuts with meaning are what's important as we debate these issues. And I guess this is another alternative to this issue that may, in fact, embrace that concept. We all know that a penny is worth about 1,350,000 now rather than a million-five, so we know it is a diminishing source of funds. But just for the record, since I didn't talk on the last two amendments, I would point out that the aid to cities in 1982 and '83 was 17,900,000, and in 1988 was increased when Governor Orr was in office, 2,200,000, to get it back up to that 17,900,000. So the aid total has stayed about the same. Mine is a simple, simple amendment. It does what Senator Schellpeper suggested with the 5 percent that applies to MIRE,