

SENATOR WARNER: Yes.

SENATOR WESELY: Okay. Well I grant you that it sounds to me like the first was a best guess, maybe a wild guess and the second was a better basis on which to make an estimate. But if you look at the fiscal notes on this bill, January 30 the estimate by the Fiscal Analyst Office was \$2.6 million in revenue loss in the year '96-97, 2.6 million. Three days later, three days later, February 2 the revenue loss was down to one million dollars. So you know this thing is drop...I mean if we wait a while I'd like to see the current fiscal estimate. Maybe it won't cost us anything. It has dropped from, and I understand why the figure was 9 to 17 million and we didn't have much information, but maybe somebody could explain to me why the revenue figure at the first blush was 2.6 million in revenue loss, now it's 1 million in revenue loss and I'm not sure why that would change in a matter of 3 days. I'm not sure we know what we're dealing with here. I'm not sure that we can enter this with much certainty and I think that that would be a sentiment shared by Senator Warner and the Revenue Committee and my guess is by Senator Brashear who entered, by the introduction of the bill because it is phased in. And, as Senator Warner said, the phase-in is because we're treading here in an area in which we're uncertain of the consequence and phasing it in gives us a chance to back out of it, but will we? I mean I'm not sure. And the one way I know of that we have to readdress the issue would be to put a sunset on it and know that sometime down the road after we get the full information we could readdress the issue. I just...some of you went to a lunch meeting on water issues. I was there and I was struck by their...the conversation was about reauthorizing the Clean Water Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act and all and the Congress in certain areas, they don't pass a bill forever. They have to reauthorize after five years, after ten years or whatever because they've reached a conclusion that on these that are costly items they need to take another look and reconsider. And we kind of have done that this year with a number of economic development initiatives and some other ideas that we were a little uncertain about, and I'm suggesting this should be another one of those that we're a little uncertain about. And by putting some sort of sunset on it and getting the information we will better be able to evaluate whether or not this is a policy that's working as intended and costing as intended. You know, again I tell you, with our experience with 775 and some of the other things