

considerations in this legislation are not fully developed. And I think the aspect of the amendment taking the weatherization money summarily, after three hours of debate, when I, for one, didn't fully appreciate the policy change that we were making, and there may be others who also didn't at the time, that's what I am asking the body to stop, pause, take a look at and give considerable thought to. There is no urgency that I can sense with whether or not this legislation is passed today or in early 1996,...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR BROMM: ...or mid-1996. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President, and members, I rise in opposition to the motion to bracket the bill. The arguments so far have been that we can wait six months. Well, if you don't like the bill, just vote against it. That's all. It's that simple. It's on Final Reading; vote against it. If there's enough votes so it doesn't pass, Senator Robinson has to come back in six months, reintroduce it. He'll probably have to take it as his priority again. I don't think he should have to. But I think we vote it up or down today. There's no need to amend this proposal. The weatherization money was debated. I believe it was Senator Withem who said on the floor, ad nauseam out here, when we talked about the issue at that time, the question is, do you continue a program that expends money? Yeah, it's a revolving fund, it works to allow for loans instead of grants, and we take care of buildings, which we have to, but what we've done is we weatherized them. And we've done most of those and Senator Wesely, I'm sure, is very accurate when he says there's some grants still out there that are pending. Those grants can be taken care of through, I believe it's July 1 of '96, as the bill is written. That's when the proposal rolls over. That's when the balance in the fund would now roll over to the new fund that's created by Senator Robinson's bill. There's a year left to deal with it. There's a whole other session, if there are problems after this becomes law, to look at that. But this can begin to work immediately. And what does it do? It provides technology for kids, not insulation for buildings. I don't think that's a bad...bad exchange, if you will. I think we've taken care of the majority of those facilities that are out there. It's worked well, but now we