

on that one? Yeah, last resort, we'll have to do it. Yeah, we are going to look at federal dollar losses, which there will be a lot of them. We're going to absorb a lot of the cost, there will be a lot of them, and we know we are going to have to increase some type of taxes,...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...but we don't want to be specific. And, guess what? It will be last resort so we really don't want to do it. That's nonsense. If we are going to do something on property tax, this won't do it. It'll be the collective wisdom of the Legislature, the 49 senators, in passing meaningful legislation by the end of this session, but voting for this resolution with none of the details, if we can't get that consensus, will make all of us look like idiots. The public is tired of the rhetoric, of the lovefest of what we want to do, and who is to blame, and how we are going to do it. They want us to do something. Put this aside, get the committee chairs to get the bills up, get the Revenue Committee to come out with the bill that they want, and let's start the debate, and let's do it for real, not this little lovefest on this resolution. I will be voting no. I am sure I'll probably be the only one voting no, but, nonetheless, maybe we will get some of the discussion on the right topics rather than this broad thing of what we might do and...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ..what we hope we do rather than what we should do and hopefully will do.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Cudaback, do you wish to speak to the Jones (sic) amendment. Senator Warner, speak to the Jones (sic) amendment.

SENATOR WARNER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, briefly, I will not be voting yes on the amendment, but I do think it points out the issue for discussion very well, and that is whether...whether or not there should be a specific goal. I would suggest that toward the end of the session, perhaps, and this is not my idea, this is an idea that came up in the discussion of the various committee chairmen the other day, that toward the end of the session it may well be appropriate that