

February 28, 1996 LB 1373

SPEAKER WITHEM: The committee amendments are adopted. Anything further filed to the bill?

CLERK: Nothing further to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Warner, would you like to open on your bill?

SENATOR WARNER: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Again, those who have an interest in the scope of things, of considerations that this group, and they're all expertise in economics for financing, it's not political types. But if you look at the impacts of state economic development policy, which was one of the reports that you received earlier, there is a list, in Chapter 2, of all of the things that would be a part of appropriately looking at the development of a model. The list is long. But the ones dealing with government at least I would touch on; revenue, contraction, tax shifts, revenue expansion, congestion, local services, infrastructure, local taxes. If you look at the explanation of those, the expansion, but there it seems to me that those who have a concern with the breadth of what this group would be looking at, if you look at these reports, either of them, include the same type of information. One is a comparison of what we currently do now, and the other one is a review of...on a national basis. But I think it will be evident it's very inclusive of a lot of...and comprehensive of a lot of areas. That's about all I can say about the bill. I urge the bill be advanced.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Warner. For discussion on the bill, Senators Wickersham, Wesely, and Kristensen.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: I'm sorry, Mr. President, I didn't realize....

SPEAKER WITHEM: I'm sorry, I indicated who was speaking and then I did not formally recognize you. Senator Wickersham, you are recognized to speak.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Mr. President. I don't want, obviously, to prolong debate on this bill because I think it's an important and desirable piece of legislation, but neither could I let it pass on General File without commenting, because the issue that's addressed here was certainly raised last year