

maybe vote red. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and colleagues. I appreciate the comments of several of you, Senator Withem, Senator Coordsen, Senator Crosby, and I think the fact that Senator Janssen and I have inserted a "shall" on the committee studies is simply a drafting...an insensitivity in our drafting that we didn't intend to be there. And so we're certainly amenable to making that more permissive and just request the committees to do the study. Secondly, I'd just like to respond very briefly to Senator Crosby's concerns about putting a task force in statute and cluttering up the statutes. And I, and I understand that and I do, I also would like to avoid that whenever possible. In this particular situation, where we are taking on the, a little bit of a historic approach on property tax limitations and levy caps and that kind of thing, the whole package, I think it's, I think it would be very helpful, in terms of having a little bit of confidence in some of the local political subdivisions, that we think it's important enough to look at these mandates, to put it in the same legislation in which we are imposing the caps and the levy limitations and that kind of thing. So I, that's my main reason for wanting it to be statutory in this case. The main thing is the job gets down, I'll grant you that. Now I've talked to Senator Janssen, the coinstructor of this amendment, and in view of the concerns that have been expressed, although I detect maybe erroneously so, that there's quite a bit of support for the concept, I think there is some fine tuning that needs to happen that we can do more efficiently off the floor than we can do on the floor. And with that in mind, Mr. Speaker, Senator Janssen and I would ask if we could withdraw this amendment at this time. We'd intend to reoffer it, perhaps, on Select File.

SPEAKER WITHEM: It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, it's my understanding that the long anticipated and awaited Warner amendment is now before us.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senators Warner, Maurstad, and Coordsen would offer AM4078. (See pages 1481-83 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Warner, to open.