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SENATOR CONNEALY: Yes. I think that the Revenue Committee did do that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you remember what the discussion was that led to that conclusion? And if you don't, I'm not going to interrogate you.

SENATOR CONNEALY: From what I remember, it was that to get a report with a good look at numbers, to make sure that we had high quality information for the Legislature to work with, an economist might be the best approach. That seems to be what I remember.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So in addition to maybe helping the commissioners with advice and information that an...

SPEAKER BRASHEAR PRESIDING

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...economist could offer, when time comes to present the report, the economist might be able to provide some assistance in preparing the report that would be of value, in addition to service while they're doing this other preliminary work?

SENATOR CONNEALY: Yes, that's what I remember.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. I'm not going to take this vote...this motion to a vote, because I don't think that the economist should be removed. But I also don't think that this bill should be enacted into law. It is unnecessary, it is not likely to produce anything of value, and if it moves forward despite my strenuous objection today, I will renew the battle.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Was that...okay.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to close.