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LB 126A

PRESIDENT: All right, we will go on to General File, LB 126A.

CLERK: LB 126A (read title). Mr. President, I do have an amendment from Senator Warner and that amendment is found on page 812 of the Legislative Journal.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I put LB 126A up in order to provide the funding for the program but the introducers indicated that the first year all that was needed was to develop rules and regulations so the '83-'84 appropriation is based upon what the Coordinating Commission estimated would be necessary for the development of rules and regulations which is \$1,000, but then the '84-'85 appropriation would be at the level of \$2,125,000 for the initial program and that would be consistent with what I understood was expected. Also by appropriating or enacting the A bill that ensures that when the Board of Equalization or the Legislature, if that is who it turns out to be, sets the rates for calendar year '84, that will be a valid appropriation based upon the Attorney General's opinion that Senator Johnson received last session and the money can be assured to be raised to provide the funding for this important program. So I move the adoption of the amendments which reduces the '83-'84 to \$1,000 which is the only thing that is necessary as I understand it for development of rules and regulations for the coming year and then fully funds the proposal...well, funds the proposal at what the estimated initial cost would be for '84-'85.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I wonder if Senator Warner would yield to a question.

SENATOR WARNER: Certainly.

SENATOR CULLAN: Senator Warner, have you received a communication from the Coordinating Commission that they are in need of an additional \$1,000 for this specific purpose?

SENATOR WARNER: That was my understanding...a communication?

SENATOR CULLAN: Yes.

SENATOR WARNER: You mean like a letter.