

even more significant problems. And it looks to me like that same concept is being proposed as a possibility this time. The last time we pushed the problems ahead in '81 there were those who did that believing that the economy was going to get better. It may have been a reasonable assumption. It didn't work out that way, however. Well this time I haven't heard anybody talking about the fact that the economy is going to get better and you're ignoring a \$30 million liability next time. It's on the sheets before you and I would suggest that as difficult as it is that you not override the veto and you recognize that the inevitability, after you've looked at all the alternatives, that a combination of some rate increase and some cuts is the only way that you're going to solve this year and next year's problem. It's probably no different at the federal level. The only way they're going to solve it is some cuts, some revenue increase for their deficit. We don't have a deficit in the sense of the federal government but we certainly have a potential one.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR WARNER: And I would suggest that the prudent thing to do, as meritorious as the purpose is, is not to commit the additional funds, but retain them, not only for this year's budget, but to assist again in avoiding another million dollars added on, tacked on to the commitment you already have for '86-87.

PRESIDENT: Members should be in their seats during the time the house is under call. The Chair recognizes Senator Lundy.

SENATOR LUNDY: Mr. President and members of the body, I rise to support the override position by Senator DeCamp. I think that the problem that we are facing this morning is a problem of equity, a problem that started out by saying that we do need to take a real hard look at the tax on spirits, beer, wine and so forth this year and in doing so it was suggested that we finance, not all, but a part of the revenue that would be created with this tax, a portion of the financing necessary for mental retardation and for alcoholic abuse programs. Now it seems to me that it is proper, when we're looking at the total picture, that we complete what we started out to do. We started out to increase the tax and support a very worthwhile program in