

SENATOR WARNER: No, sir. Senator, it was my intent to make that a part of the amendment that was considered yesterday. Inadvertently, it was not included. It is filed as a separate item. But again I repeat, that in itself does nothing more than repeat the authority they now have and it is to prevent the thing, I think, that Senator Chambers indicated earlier in their viewpoint of being beat over the head because they didn't do it.

SENATOR VICKERS: Okay, so it is your intent with this amendment to say it all over again, if you will, that they will be able to use those funds from other sources if they so desire?

SENATOR WARNER: Other sources of revenue or reallocation internally.

SENATOR VICKERS: Okay.

SENATOR WARNER: See...you know, one of the things that...if I could take just one more second, it is not unusual for any agency that we would perhaps add money in for a specific purpose in a given budget and in the next year's budget review we find they didn't use the money for that purpose, it becomes a budget review item and we ask, you know, what changes were necessary that brought about your using the money in a different fashion? Many times it is a very justified reason.

SENATOR VICKERS: Okay.

SENATOR WARNER: And that kind of flexibility for efficient use of public funds you want to retain and that kind of flexibility is always there. But it always is reviewed.

SENATOR VICKERS: Thank you, Senator Warner. This happens to be an area that I have a lot of mixed emotions about since I am committed to reducing the expenditures of government so that we do not have to have any tax increases, but at the same time I have a difficult time in telling the institutions who don't happen to have paying athletic programs that they are going to have to, quite frankly, cut back on some of their athletic programs. Now I know there are a lot of people that think we have too much priority in this state and I am one of them in many instances, particularly in the local schools with our priorities a