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SENATOR BURBACH: I certainly agree that this is something that is necessary and I agree with Senator Carpenter that after we have established facts and we have ascertained a dollar value, dollar figure, necessary, I'll be glad to work with Senator Carpenter and others, on a bill to provide the necessary revenue, but at the moment I can't answer that question and the dollars and cents of what, I have no idea who is the higher, I presume Mr. Matzke would be the higher of the two figures, but this is something I'm not aware of.

SPEAKER: The Chair next recognizes Senator Stahmer. Senator Stahmer yielding to Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President and members of the legislature, as I read the Governor's proposed budget, the request is for fifty thousand, two hundred and sixty five and of course that's in the fiscal note there, and the Governor has accepted that, fifty thousand, two sixty five, which is fifteen thousand, four hundred and twenty eight more dollars than it was during the current year, and so if of course we put this in an A bill then we would have to deduct out I suppose this amount out of the existing Governor's budget.

SPEAKER: Senator Stahmer did you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President and members of the body, I'd like to support what Senator Carpenter's said and I'm not sure that the body got the full intent of what he was saying, that namely the commission itself is one matter and the funds needed to operate the commission are one matter, but if indeed you wanted to, this body was to address itself to the problems of the Indians in this state, this commission would perhaps draw up a program of what things we could be doing, for instance, in education, health, to help these Indian citizens, and I think until such time as not only do we have the commission, but they come in and make some recommendations to us, indeed Senator Carpenter is right, we are not going to be solving these problems and until this commission can come forward and say we need X dollars in education, we need Y dollars in health, and get the money in to do the job, in fact we are going to have a good commission and won't be accomplishing anything.

SPEAKER: Are you all through discussing LB 37A. Senator Burbach do you care to close on your bill? Care to close on your bill 37A. Senator Burbach is closing.

SENATOR BURBACH: Mr. President and members of the legislature, 37A is set up for sixty three hundred dollars to fund 37, if Senator Carpenter and others will visit with Mr. Matzke, and if a bill is forthcoming that is fine, I don't believe we do have the facts and figures that we should tamper with 37A, and therefore I move that 37A be advanced to E&R for initial.

SPEAKER: Senator Carpenter do you have a question of Senator Burbach?

SENATOR CARPENTER: Should I visit with Mr. Matzke, we don't see eye to eye, I think he is the most worthless thing that could be on the commission. He is responsible for most of the problem, why should I check with him. Why don't you check with him.

SENATOR BURBACH: I will, thank you sir, I wanted to include you because of a statement you made, if you prefer not too this is absolutely your prerogative Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I know that, all I'm saying my friend is that if, you admit you really don't know how he made up the figures, I know Mackie and in my own opinion you can't depend