

moment to do this and the answer is no. Mr. Sullivan came before us with a partial plan and we asked him whether he had taken it up with the Executive Branch and he said no so I assume he's gone back to talk to the Executive Branch and there is no money in the budget for this item at the moment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: On that basis, I think I would not like to have or would object to taking it up only because of, if the whole program is going, that's one thing, if we're, if it's not going, it's something else.

PRESIDENT: Well, Senator Richendifer, do you care to respond?

SENATOR RICHENDIFER: Let me answer Senator Warner from this standpoint. The fees collected for the abstracts of Motor Vehicles is rather minimal in comparison to some other departments. Now in the Department of Health to produce-- get a copy, a certified copy of a death certificate, it's \$2.00. I didn't look at the figures on this but I would assume that it is costing money now out of general file to produce these abstracts and the fee is minimal in comparison to the rising costs of labor and filing and even if this wasn't used for computerization, I don't believe it would be unreasonable. The committee asked that this be earmarked for the computerization and whether the money comes this year, next year or through the budget committee, I think, is irrelevant. They could use this money to subsidize use of general fund money for searching for these abstracts.

PRESIDENT: Let's slip over to Senator Duis. Senator Duis, are you objecting to 319? I'm trying to find out here whether we're going to go ahead with the bill or we're going to object. Senator Warner has objected. I thought Senator Warner was only asked questions. Have you objected, Senator Warner?

SENATOR WARNER: I think I have at this point because the explanation for the purpose of the increase at the hearing was to put the Department of Motor Vehicles on a computer and if it is for some other purpose, then I think then we should be aware of that. If it is for the purpose that it was testified to then I'm in support of it.

PRESIDENT: Well, Senator Richendifer--

SENATOR WARNER: Surely that program is not going ahead.

PRESIDENT: Senator Richendifer, we're under an obligation to go on if it's controversial.

SENATOR RICHENDIFER: I, I might explain that this way. The original bill wasn't for this. The committee put on the amendment to earmark funds for computerization. The Motor Vehicle Department suggested that the additional funds could be used for computerization if and when come, but the original bill did not call for this. This was the amendment that called for the earmarking of the funds. Therefore, if you would object to the amendment earmarking these funds, I would be perfectly willing to kill the committee amendment.

PRESIDENT: Well, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: I don't want to make a hassle about staying with the bill but the testimony at the hearing was that the increase was that the increase was for the purpose which the committee amendments say. There was no indication as I recall from the hearing, that it was a general increase in fee or that it was to be used for the purpose and the committee amendment