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PRESIDENT: Next to speak is Senator Simpson.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I too support the Warner amendment. I'm not advocating in doing this that we will spend more money. I think we have a lot of bills on the board which do not have a fiscal impact as such to the General Fund that we have plenty of time left in this session to work on these bills, by not taking them up now we're asking ourselves to next session rush through a whole bunch of bills on the board, introduce this many more and double the load up. I think we have the time now, let's stay and work on these other bills, pass what is necessary, what you don't think's necessary, let's kill. Just leave the spending bills alone as is and go on with the other work in the days we have left for this session.

PRESIDENT: Next to speak is Senator Stahmer, then Fred Carstens, Goodrich, Syas and Chambers.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President, I have a question to ask Senator Warner if he'll yield.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, will you yield to a question?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes.

SENATOR STAHMER: Well, would you assume Senator Warner by your motion that that with the motion we passed this morning with the amendment I had on which would have excluded federal funds and cash funds that we would be able to then consider transferring the federal revenue sharing money for instance over to state aid to education that this would not fall under the amendment we made this morning?

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Stahmer, as I understand it, there may be a clarification as to how the Governor would like to use revenue sharing money and the broad, or a definition of your motion I would assume general revenue sharing money is federal funds and as such could be enacted upon and be within your motion. I would restrict it however to the state aid to schools. I think there are the options of using it to reduce the General Fund further, there's the option of capital construction, there's the option as you point out for property tax relief and I assume there's the option of leaving the money where it is under investment. I would not see where anything that we have done has precluded the Legislature from considering using the general revenue sharing money.

SENATOR STAHMER: Well, I'd just like a point of clarification, when I offered my amendment this morning, I had in mind those bills that specifically had, on, programs in them concerning federal dollars and that I did not have in mind the use of federal revenue sharing monies one way or another which could have been considered but I would not want the body to think that my motion had anything to do with allowing us to spend the revenue sharing money. That was not the intent of my motion this morning.

PRESIDENT: Next to speak is Senator Fred Carstens. Passing. Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Mr. President, I just rise to support Senator Warner in his motion. I don't really see any problem with his motion as long as we stick with the original theory of not passing appropriations bills on Final Reading.

PRESIDENT: Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: Well, Mr. Chairman, I see some problems with these motions and I want to ask him a couple of questions.