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CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Waldron asks to be excused on June 1, also for the entire month of June.

PRESIDENT: Are there objections? Well, 30 days of that month we can account for but that other one, I don't know, we'll have to see. Are there objections to Senator Waldrons absence on June 1? Are there objections? Hearing none, so ordered. Do we have any other business on the desk?

CLERK: None.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dickinson, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DICKINSON: Mr. Speaker, point of personal privilege please.

PRESIDENT: Yes sir.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Before we get too far into the day, I think it might be appropriate to take one short moment and comment a little bit on our fun time we had last night. I think after at jumping at each others throats here for the last couple of weeks, under the pressure of lasts months legislation, that is would seem appropriate now to mention Senator Mahoneys few hours of R & R that Senator Mahoney provided for us last night and those that, most of us were there and those of us that weren't that missed you and you missed a darn good time. Thank-you Senator Mahoney.

PRESIDENT: That is R & R at Senator Mahoneys rural retreat. All right, Senator Warner, for what purpose do you want to be recognized?

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, for a point of personal privilege, to comment on a memorandum which was distributed to the members.

PRESIDENT: State your point Senator.

SENATOR WARNER: As the members have probably have read the memorandum from Governor Exon, that was on our desks this morning, I'd like to comment just briefly on some aspects of it. First paragraph, suggests that I did not fully advise the members of the legislature on the effects of the amendment that was offered to LB 10. I'd like to repeat or recite, to refresh your memory what did occur, I believe it was announced right after the Easter recess that such an amendment was, would be offered. I think each of the members know that as the distribution was made of the expenditures and the revenue projections, for our information in the consideration of all appropriating bills, since Easter at all times the possible alternative for reduction in the income tax, the current year has been shown, so that in every event you were fully advisedd as to what could or could not be done. In addition I have understood that through the budget commitee's hearings, there have been discussion including with the tax commissioner on projections, revenue and expenditures, and the issue I think has been fully discussed. I think that it also has been demonstrateby the legislature time and time again, that at least the majority of the members have repeatedly demonstrated desire to maintain reasonable spending limits and in fact there is little appreciable difference in the dollar amounts that this body will have authorized in what has been recommended by the Governor and in any events, such as April 16, speech in which he first suggested the possibility of a reduction in the income tax. He has not vetoed any bill which would have had any impact on the budget and together with those that were over ridden, were over ridden, prior to that date and again not in very large amounts. I do not believe that we are maneuvering to mislead the public, it would appear to me that the only manipulation difference between the two percent reduction now and the five percent reduction next year, is the fact that if you over collect for 12 months,