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SENATOR CARPENTER: I'd like to speak to the amendment ask somebody to explain the other part of the amendment. It strikes out the word trainable. Then it says that this bill would take care of all the handicapped and mentally retarded whether they were trainable or not. Is that so? What is that going to do so far as numbers are concerned?

SENATOR KENNEDY: Senator not to dodge the question, but I must admit that not being totally prepared here this morning with the files which have, which we have through the many sessions etc. If I may divert just a moment to the remarks by Senator Carsten I certainly am not opposed to using LB92 as the instrument to set the course, if you will, for this session of the Legislature. In that all bills with the fiscal impact etc. are set up there to see what we're talking about as we go along. And not only a piece meal basis, pass measures which range from \$1 to thousands and millions of dollars. This was left on the board. We tried to get to it before the conclusion of the business last year. We were unable to. And quite frankly, I did not expect it to be taken up on the floor this morning. So I'm certainly willing to have the bill bracketed. I actually prefer that we had adopt the amendment and move it on over to Select File if we're going to bracket it. But I think that this might be

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the time for us to decide how we are going to handle measures with fiscal impact during the session. But my years here, it seems like each year we take a different way of handling things. So, if this leads us to the discussion of how we're going to handle appropriation measures those with any fiscal impact. I hope that my friends that I'm trying to help here. In the retarded and handicap areas will allow me to lecture in using this instrument for this discussion there this morning.

SPEAKER: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: And I'd like to move, Mr. President, is a matter of policy.

SPEAKER: We've got a little problem here with the communication system. We'll try again. Go ahead Senator Carpenter we'll see how it works.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I'd like to move that we do the same thing we did last session. That we pass these bills to the extent that the Legislature wants to accept them. In every case on final reading the A-Bill is read ahead of the authorization. So we will know that at that particular that if we're going to pass one, we will pass the other one. I don't think that we ought to hold any of these bills up in this category. I think we ought to adopt the amendments and move them on. When they get on Final Reading we will get all the information you will you are ever going to get, plus you can do your own investigation to see what the cost is. I'm not opposed to this bill, except I think we ought to understand that this is all the handicapped and mentally retarded children, whether they are trainable or not. I'm in favor of doing that. But we ought to understand what it is. I'd like to move, Mr. President, that we adopt the same procedure that we did a year ago. In which we read the A-Bill ahead of the authorizations, so we'll know where we spend the money.