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SENATOR CARPENTER: No, of course not, we don't wait that in any case. We only set the rates as of November of this year. Now you are trying to set the rate now for the next fiscal year, and that is proposed to and what I am trying to say that the Governor of this state and the board of equalization which I was there, made the statement that he took into consideration no consideration of future obligations. If he said he had, we would not recommend that the income tax rate be reduced.

SENATOR LEWIS: May I continue with one more question Mr. President?

PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: The question is that I have then of course as a novice at this, is that is there any correlation between revenue and expenditure?

SENATOR CARPENTER: Not until we know what they are no. I am unwilling to anticipate what the rate would be as a result of what we spend in the fiscal year 1974-75 now. That is all that you are trying to do.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I would respond to a couple of things here, and I would think that if those arguments prevail that we can wait, I think that out of good judgment for the people of this state, perhaps the adequate time to set that rate would be about November 1st of this year. Then if we analyze what we are spending and provide the money November the first and allow those people that are involved in the election process to present their programs and their expenditure to the people, I think that is excellent. But if we are going to appropriate money, and we are doing that on a regular basis everyday downstairs in the budget committee and making recommendations, and most of them are deserved, yet this week, the legis....the budget committee has acted in terms of the necessary raise for the University, at a cost of 1.3 million dollars. Last week it was the state employees 2.1 million dollars. We haven't seen that capital construction program. Now that is something that people have told the American public and the public from state government for years. We can provide you more services at less dollars, who is kidding whom? I think that all of us understand what this issue is. I think now is the opportunity to or for us to set the record right we are working on a FY 1974-75 budget lets get the taxation and revenues in line with that budget and lets move it forward as quickly as we can and quit playing the shell game.

PRESIDENT. Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: It is particularly it is disgusting to play the shell game when someone has removed the pea.

PRESIDENT: The Chair is going to rule in this case that all the dialogue between the introducer and Senator Carpenter was part of the opening remarks on your bill Senator Lewis so in my opinion you have spoken once to the bill. The Chair recognizes Senator Marvel to be followed by Senator F. Carstens, Anderson and Kelly. Senator Marvel.