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SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I just rise to support Senator Burbach and urge the adoption of his amendment and the Marvel amendment then and then we will have the a sales tax on food fully covered in 1975.

PRESIDENT: Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: Well, of course I am quite surprised to see Senator Nore all of a sudden worry about the sales-income tax when he wasn't worried the other day on 772. That isn't what I stood up for. I want to ask a question of either Senator Warner, or Senator Burbach, or some of these great supporters of 772. I would like to ask them a pertinent question. The question is this. If you take some of this money out of what you are going to use for 772, and 772 went on the ballot I suppose then that around the state you would say don't repeal 772 because it is locked in with the refund on food, isn't that what you would use?

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, do you care to respond?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes.

SENATOR SYAS: I mean that it is pretty cute, I just wanted to know if you wouldn't use that.

SENATOR WARNER: I think a more accurate statement Senator Syas that if we do not recognize the need for an increase in the food credit, by virtue of the state aid, then you and others as has been reported to me within the last two or three hours those that are out in the rotunda and who are in opposition to state aid to schools are urging to defeat the Marvel amendment because they want to use the argument that the increased sales tax would not have allowed for the food purchases and is quite the other way around. Not the way you are stating. Secondly I would point out that the amendment for 632 was on my desk to do exactly what is proposed by the Marvel amendment a day or so after 772...

SENATOR SYAS: You didn't answer the question.

SENATOR WARNER: Of the Governor so that we could recognize the necessity of reducing or increasing the food credit for food purchases.

SENATOR SYAS: Alright, lets get one thing straight. I favor an increased food credit. I a favor it coming out of the general fund. What I don't like is to mess around with 772, because I think that is a gimic to...if this thing goes on the ballot that you use it to tell the people that they' will loose there food credit if they vote to repeal 772. I would like to 772 stand on its merit one way or the other. Not to have some foreign thing connected with it. Now you a are trying to tell me, why can't you take this up...I'll put it this way. Why can't you take it all out of the General Fund. The Food Credit. Why did you have to tamper with 772?

PRESIDENT: Alright, Senator Syas let him answer.

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Syas there isn't any difference between the two, the point is that if 772 does not become