

March 14, 1979

LB 57, 577E

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried and the bill is advanced to E & R for review. Now we will revert back to LB 577E. We were waiting until the material was on your desks and the Chair recognizes Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I move LB 577 be advanced to E & R Initial and then I also, Mr. President, have an amendment on the desk which perhaps the Clerk should read. In essence, it adds one million dollars more to the deficiency. I guess you really don't need to read it, Pat.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Is this your amendment? Do you want this amendment adopted first?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes, I move adoption of the amendment but I had better explain it.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion is the adoption of the Warner amendment to LB 577. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, you have had passed out to you a sheet showing the status of the Governor's emergency fund as of February 23rd of '79. It is broken down on the first sheet in three columns. The first one are those items which have currently been paid out which total \$792,000. And the next total is bills that they are in receipt of and which payment is pending or being, should be processed and that is \$552,000. And then the last column is that one designated as obligated and these are for expenditures that were approved by the Governor but have not as yet had submission of the documents that are required to be paid. As you will see, I don't know if you want to go through all of those but you can see some of these that are still pending go back to July of last year in which there were flood costs but the processing of those takes considerable time because at least in some events there is federal funds also involved, and until that entire process is completed, the exact dollar amount that the state may pick up cannot be determined. In any event, it is not paid until all those items are processed. If you turn on the second sheet, then it shows the total amount that was of the costs and obligations of \$2,333,976. The original appropriation last year including I think it was in two different bills,