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successful on their 138 amendments, I would then move to remove the \$10,000,000 of state aid, but I repeat, contrary to what I think everybody believes, that \$10,000,000 is in there now no matter what you think, no matter what you say, by fate, by circumstance, by fluke, by whatever, it is there and the only way to handle it is to physically remove it with 25 votes or 30 votes. So at this time I would ask to temporarily hold up on the amendment and go ahead with what Senator Warner suggested which is addressing these other matters and if at such time as they are all resolved, hopefully favorably and within the 7½%, then I would take that up and remove it.

SPEAKER MARVEL: There are three lights on. I want to check to see whether you wish to discuss this particular matter because otherwise I am going to move to pass over 585 and put it right after 594. Senator Lewis, do you wish to speak to 585?

SENATOR LEWIS: Just very briefly, Mr. President, first of all, to compliment the Appropriations Committee on the fine job they have done in trying to recognize what we need to do and to stop the log jam and I agree with Senator DeCamp, that if we can be successful in putting the entire package together, then certainly I would join with him for the removal of the \$10,000,000 but I agree with the strategy that he has at this time that we pass over and move forward to the other two.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I would like to ask Senator DeCamp a question or two if I could about the \$10,000,000 and various other things that evidently are taking place.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Yes, sir.

SENATOR KAHLE: You made the statement that the state would be taking care of its obligation to the counties or to the local government, subdivisions of government. If there is no state aid for education put in how do you figure that the state is taking care of its obligation when the counties are allowed then to raise the taxes 7% on the whole budget which would, without doubt, raise the property tax?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Okay, you are talking about the state aid aspect, right?