

he is going to think. In my informal visit with him there was not an initial flat out, no, you cannot do that nor there was initial, yes, that looks possible. I should point out in this concept that normally this is a situation that would never occur. It has occurred only one other time that I can recall since we let the sales income tax and rate setting procedure as we do it. That was in what, '73 or '74 and again it was because of inflationary times and the collections that the Chase Econometric model that was used last November was based I believe on a much lower level of inflation than what we are currently experiencing and obviously inflation does tend to increase tax collections, at least certainly on the sales tax side. Now on the other side of the coin of course, looking down toward the future is a downturn in the economy. I understand the Chase Econometric model had moved back their projected recession or mild recession one quarter but all of us know what the economic conditions are today. It could be accelerated a quarter or two just as easily I suspect. However, the amount of property taxes that are going to be paid for schools are not going to be changed by a recession if one does or does not come and what we are proposing here that at least as of June 30th, collections that are in excess to fund the current year's program could appropriately be used for property tax relief.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you, Senator Warner. I believe it would be the first time I have ever voted against any kind of a proposal that would give relief to the schools but I believe that this is sort of like promising someone that if cattle hit eighty bucks we will kick back five dollars out of a hundred to the church. I don't think we are going to have that kind of an economy. I think this is building a false hope in the minds of many people in regard to property tax relief and although I am sympathetic, Senator Warner, with what you are trying to do, I really would have to say that at this time based upon the economy as we must admit it is today, that the chances of property tax relief through the system which you have proposed are very dim indeed and I think that it would be perhaps not fair, not honest with the people to propose this because...in fact, I do not believe there will be any surplus when the time comes for disposal.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Dworak.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President and colleagues, I support