

but we are going to create some magic formula that is supposed to work. We had the same problem, the same concept in the state Aid to Education formula. We have inequities all over the place on it. That is one of the reasons that we are looking at that this year. So I think before I can cast a vote on 691, and that is the bill that we are talking about right now. . . .

SPEAKER MARVEL: Your time is up.

SENATOR DWORAK: . . . a lid is going to have to be put in.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the body, I want to speak not only to 691 as amended but also to Senator Dworak. I think that I would like to take this opportunity to speak to Senator Dworak first. Senator Dworak, I have an amendment which would deal with your problem, the problem that this fund will grow and grow and the state can not do anything about that. The amendment, Pat, could you just read the amendment quickly. I know that it can't be taken up at this time but it might help Senator Dworak understand what I am offering to do.

CLERK: Mr. President, the Newell when we get to it will read as follows: On page 2, of the white copy, on line 5 after the word "assessment" add the following new language. "And such appropriations shall automatically increase the fund, unless the appropriation bill on any given year alters that amount", and continuing with remaining portion of the section then.

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Dworak, that was rather hastily written, since your speech was not the longest in the world, but, it is an attempt to try to find some language to make it clear that this fund or any increases in this fund that would be due to the valuation increases that happen across the country, across the state, excuse me, would then be reviewed or could be altered by the Appropriations Committee. In other words, whatever they would put into that fund it could be altered by that amount. Let me explain just briefly, Senator Dworak, and to the members of the Legislature what this basically does. You see when you contrast 691 with 882, 882 simply says that we are going to reward local subdivisions of government for spending more money. Now I think that that is a real problem. A real problematic philosophical statement for this Legislature to be enacting into law. But 691 says that we are going to reward those counties and we are going to reward all county officials and all assessors who do a good job of trying to keep those assessments current. We have had problems in this area before, as you well know. We have not revalued this currently