

SENATOR WARNER: Thank you. I had a question for Senator Beutler for clarification if he would answer.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Beutler, will you respond?

SENATOR WARNER: I thought I understood you to say, Senator Beutler, that it cost \$11,000 to process the bills or something to the Legislature. Did I misunderstand?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Now, Senator Warner, my office called the Clerk's office to find out what the cost of printing the bills was and the information I got back was \$11,000 and there was a miscommunication between the Clerk...

SENATOR WARNER: For all bills or per bill?

SENATOR BEUTLER: For the four bills.

SENATOR WARNER: And what is the true figure now?

SENATOR BEUTLER: And the true figure is not \$11,000 but \$1,100 and I have already so informed the press so that there is no misunderstanding on it.

SENATOR WARNER: And how was \$1,100 arrived at?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I don't know. The Clerk could tell you that. I just called for information from the Clerk's office, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Well I'm glad to see it has been...I'm not too good at working my little machine here. Just a minute. I just wanted to make sure that that was not misunderstood because that came out like the original figure, a million and a half dollars, the whole budget for the Clerk's office was \$900,000 and I was having a little trouble following that so if we revise just the printing figure that is... and I would hope that is an accurate figure then, just the printing alone although that, I assume there is a different cost for a two hundred page bill than whatever... One of these is one page so I suppose that if we are going to get a really accurate figure and it has nothing to do with these bills but the real argument would be, you see, that someone will pick that line up and apply it to unlimited introduction of bills and a whole lot of other criteria so the printing, I suspect, if we are going to use any figure better be a per page printing rather than divide all bills by ... all printing costs by just the number of bills introduced because obviously that is an erroneous figure as well. It has nothing to do with the issue and I would hate to see inaccurate information being floated around the state relative to the cost