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believe they can do it and I don't think the system that we are going under now will permit the Legislature to establish the priority which I personally believe is right that first you fund on-going responsibilities before you start new and expanded programs which essentially is what almost all of the A bills are. My argument is totally one of what I feel and believe is the role of the legislature it has nothing to do with any single bill that is up there. It has nothing to do with what the Speaker has suggested in terms of disagreeing with him personally.

PRESIDENT: One minute Senator.

SENATOR WARNER: But it is totally my strong belief that the Legislature has both the responsibility and the ability to set priorities for what we all know is going to be the ultimate priority in any event and that is that funding of appropriations will be within existing tax rates.

PRESIDENT: Question before the House is the Warner motion to overrule the Speaker's order on agenda item number four. This will require 30 votes. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 13 ayes, 25 nays Mr. President on the motion to overrule the agenda.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails. The agenda will stand as proposed by the Speaker...it has been upheld. The Final Reading is the next item on the agenda, item number four. Sergeant at Arms will secure the Chamber, see that all unauthorized personnel are off the floor. All members will return to their desks. We are on Final Reading. As soon as everyone is in their places we will begin Final Reading for today. As soon as everyone is at their desks we will commence Final Reading. We have two or three people yet to get to your desks. All right Mr. Clerk we are ready then to commence with LB 197 on Final Reading.

CLERK: Read LB 197.

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 197 pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Those of you just coming in we are voting on LB 197, the first bill on Final Reading. Have you all voted? Record the vote.