

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Warner, on the amendments of the Appropriations Committee.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the Appropriations Committee reduced the bill from a one million transfer to the fund to half a million. Is there an amendment to reduce that to two hundred and fifty thousand or is it drawn to the bill, Pat?

CLERK: Actually it is drawn to the bill, Senator, I think.

SENATOR WARNER: Why don't I vote down the committee amendment then if that is the way it is drawn. As you will recall this is the fund that was set up, actually following World War I I guess initially, but it is the fund that the investment from which the...particularly hardship cases involving veterans are funded and as I understand, and whoever is offering the reduced amount amendment, but as I understand, because of the interest earnings and so forth that they are adequate funds and it is acceptable. It would be \$250,000 rather than the \$500,000 that was reported to the floor. So I guess I suggest we reject the committee amendment if that is the way it is drawn and then adopt the amendment the introducers are offering at a lower level.

SENATOR CLARK: The committee amendments is the question before the House. All those in favor of the committee amendments vote aye, opposed vote nay. This is on the committee amendments. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 6 ayes, 16 nays on adoption of committee amendments.

SENATOR CLARK: The committee amendments are not adopted. Is there another amendment?

CLERK: Yes, sir. Senator Hefner and Wagner move to amend the bill and the amendment is found on page 249 of the Journal. It would strike 1981 and insert 1982 on page 2 and on page 3, line 20, strike one million and insert \$250,000.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Wagner, do you want to take the amendment?

SENATOR WAGNER: Mr. Speaker and members, Senator Hefner and I had introduced this amendment. Senator Hefner could not be here today and our amendment puts in \$250,000 into the veterans fund and passed out this morning is a letter from the veterans counsel and if you notice it is initialed