

advance LB 327 from General File. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the advancement of LB 327 to E & R for review. Please record your vote. The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance LB 327.

PRESIDENT: We are about at eleven-thirty. Senator Withem thinks that his bill will provoke some time, so we will move to Select File. LB 126. Select File.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 126 is on Select File. The E & R amendments have been adopted, Mr. President. When we left the bill Senator Remmers had made a motion to indefinitely postpone. That laid the bill over.

PRESIDENT: Senator Remmers, you have your motion to indefinitely postpone. May we have order in the Chamber, please (gavel) so we can hear the speaker.

SENATOR REMMERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I'm afraid it was a grave tactical error for my not having this kill motion two weeks ago when this bill was on General File. It might have been a little easier than it will be today. It might not have taken as many votes. I have opposed this weatherization bill from its inception in 1981. One of my big reasons is because I feel very strongly about a permanent school fund. I felt that our permanent school fund was a very solid investment in education in the future. As you all know, I'm sure all know, that in our permanent school fund the severance tax money which was, I believe the law was passed in '56 for the money from the severance tax to go into the permanent school fund. It's true at the time that, in '81, maybe our returns on our permanent fund were not so great. But I think that is a matter of investment judgement and not particularly any objection to the permanent school fund itself. Another reason I object to 126, it's the old idea that the Legislature can set up some rules and guidelines and skim quite a bit of money off the top, tell the school boards how to spend their money and we'll get a lot better return for our investment. I think that I've objected to this bill every time it came up. I don't believe I've done a very good job of selling my objections. But I'm wondering how many legislators realize this was not new money. The money in the weatherization