

bad enough the way it is. Leave it that way I guess and maybe somebody will want to fund it as the bill goes along. But, for heaven's sake, don't add, don't add unfunded liability to the state. We're suffering enough now. I sat downstairs with two, three lobbyists that have showed up this year, that's true. I don't recall any more than that in appropriation hearings. In fact, I can't even remember any of them speaking. But I'm sitting down there and I know full well what we are doing, and I don't like it at all. I know what we're doing, we're destroying some state programs, we're crippling some, we're not helping any. The reason we're doing it is because we have \$41 million...over \$41 million of new aid programs, enacted by previous Legislatures without funding. Now I appreciate some do not care, but I care. I can't sit here and not keep reminding you that if you want to spend \$160 million, to shift from property tax to sales or income tax, fine. But at least have the political courage to vote the tax increase with it...

SENATOR LANDIS: One minute.

SENATOR WARNER: ...otherwise it's a totally meaningless gesture. Remember county Medicaid roared through, \$21 million, great deal. What did we do? We came back, tried to phase it over three years. Part of that is our \$6.8 million problem this year. The reason we had a problem is because we refused to fund the \$21 million when that was passed. Somehow or other some magic is going to occur. Well, friends, the economy doesn't provide any magic. Leave the bill as it is, it's bad enough that way.

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Conway, and then the last light that we have is Senator Hoagland for a second time.

SENATOR CONWAY: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to call the question.

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Conway calls the question. Do I see five hands? Yes, I do. The question is, shall the question be called? All those in favor vote aye, all opposed vote nay. The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SENATOR LANDIS: Debate has ceased. We now have Senator DeCamp to close on the amendment.