

increases, in order to see if it was justified to increase the size of that trust fund in order to generate adequate revenue to meet those needs. It is a similar approach to what is being planned here. This obviously extends over a longer period of time.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Warner, just as a matter of good public policy, does this amendment mean that you are endorsing this particular kind of trust fund concept?

SENATOR WARNER: For LB 333.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Is that based upon what you feel is politically expedient at this point in time in the sense that you don't feel that you have the power to reject this particular principle at this particular point in time, or is it because you really think there is something unique about this particular area that would cause us to use a method of funding that we have heretofore rejected?

SENATOR WARNER: It is essentially based upon my experience at a hearing on a resolution the other night when I was going through a series of questions and I had difficulty determining, ahead of time, where we were headed with the questions. So I'm giving somewhat guarded answers, Senator, because I'm not sure what you are leading toward. I'm not being evasive.

SENATOR BEUTLER: It's not my intent to trap you, Senator Warner. But it is my intent to try to feel out and maybe discover for myself what our operating principle is going to be in this Legislature. For example, if I come in next year with a bill, I don't know what my good cause would be next year,...

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...having to do with protection of the aged, perhaps, and I wanted to set up a trust fund for the elderly and I wanted to appropriate to that perhaps \$100,000 a year in excess of what was needed this year in order that 40 years down the line there would be a trust fund that they could claim was their own and would reject all legislative efforts to reach back in and grab it out, even though there may not be a need for it anymore. What distinguishes this program that we have today from all other things that we