

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, my amendment strikes Section 39 and Section 40. Section 39 gives the Game and Parks permission to replace a roof. Section 40 transfers \$125,000 from the motorcycle safety education fund to the general fund so I would like to ask Senator Warner a question please.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner is available.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Warner, what is the rationale of transferring \$125,000 from the motorcycle safety education fund to the general fund? Or would you please explain this to me, aren't we using it all, isn't it being used properly, or what happened that we are doing this?

SENATOR WARNER: Senator, as is always true in a variety of cash funds from time to time, amounts in them in excess of what is needed is sometimes transferred to the general fund for other purposes. As I recall last year, there was a similar amount transferred from the motorcycle fund to the general fund. In this particular case, we knew about that available funds for some months or some weeks, had not chosen to reduce or transfer that money. Then the request came in from the Game and Parks on a very bad roof situation. It was going to cost 105,000 of funds that were not eligible from 309 money. You will recall, LB 309 which is deferred maintenance. The reason it is not available is that that building is still a lease-purchase type arrangement. The state does not have title to the building so 309 couldn't be used. Other funds had to be used. Most desirable that it would be put in the deficit bill so that work could be commenced as quickly as possible and we knew that that 125,000 was there in excess of need and it could be transferred and help avoid more pressure on the general fund.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Okay, thank you. I understand now. Is not the...does the money for the motorcycle safety education fund come from a fee and where is that fee attached? How do we raise the motorcycle (interruption)...

SENATOR WARNER: That is correct. It comes from a fee that was added three or four years ago, I am not sure of the year...

SENATOR HABERMAN: To the driver's license?