

acceptable and I guess I'm a little concerned because I have voted for all of those revenue bills that raise money. I didn't really enjoy voting for LB 715. I want to say there were a lot of company I could have had on that and I think some of the rest of us could have had some more company. There were 25 votes on that bill as I recall. It's kind of nice to be able to go back home and tell your businessmen friends, nope, you resisted that, you didn't vote for those new taxes on business, you fought them off, you fought the good fight, but it isn't easy to go back there and do that. I did it, I didn't like to do it. I don't think the other 24 of you who voted for that tax liked it either. There were some other taxes we voted for that are tough taxes and we voted for those. I think that...I was just looking over the appropriations to the resources fund. Those funds have taken a dramatic decline this year and we recognize it. We recognize that we just don't have the money and so we're going to put it off. I don't like to put that off either, but as Senator Labeledz has pointed out, probably better to put off that than some of the other programs that we are looking at. Each one of us in here have our own little pet programs and pet projects and I recognize Senator Warner has done a good job of pointing out that next year is going to be a tougher year. I'd suggest we've gone through some times here when times were relatively good. Revenues increased and we could spend money. I hope that that happens. I hope it turns around. If it doesn't, I'm frankly really concerned about what we are going to do. I think again members of the Appropriations Committee have spoken several times about the fact that we send money to local subdivisions and we find that those subdivisions do not always show the same kind of restraint that we would like to see them show and that's going to have to have, I think, some serious concerns addressed before very long. Senator Hefner has pointed out that the economy is bad. It's a bad economy and there are many people who are out of business. Senator Warner pointed out the problem with the federal income tax and I think that's right. We may have to move a couple of lines up on the form and that might change some of our problems. I think that there are people who are using the IRAs and cutting down their state obligations. I'm not familiar with that but I have been told that, and that may have to be addressed. It may be a way we should take a look at it and I think that sometimes as we do, we impact upon local subdivisions, the action of the federal government and their attempt to woo the voters has an