

normally would check in that short of an order. There was nothing done here different than what we've done many times before with the exception that it was a very short time frame.

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR WARNER: It was the advice of the Attorney General that it would be well to do it now to avoid a very likely much greater cost. I think we should do the appropriation. If others have an interest and want to visit with the Governor and the Attorney General, and they decide, no, we are going to run the gamble, then, fine, they can make that decision. The Governor can veto it out. I doubt that he would. I think it is like your own personal business. If your attorney says look, you know we can go to court on principle and it is going to cost you half a million dollars, you know that is not a hard decision to make.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Okay, thank you, Senator Beutler and Senator Warner. I think it is kind of unfair to come up here and, in five minutes, ask us to go for \$500,000, I really do. I think that the timing was bad. Maybe it couldn't have been changed. But I have a file on this downstairs. I was aware of it and I was going to bring it up in front of the body. I didn't know it was going to come up as an amendment. So Senator Beutler, the claims don't have to go through...didn't we have some claims that had to go through Business and Labor, Senator Barrett's committee?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time. Senator Higgins, please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: I want to know the difference...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Excuse me, Senator.

SENATOR HABERMAN: ...those that went through Senator...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Your time is up, I'm sorry.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Shame on you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Yes, it's all right. Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. Speaking as a nonpartisan Democrat,...