

it up later, another year. I'm sure there would be some additional cost from it. This is the second half of the completion of the plan.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you, Senator Warner. So what we're going to end up with, next year when this issue comes up, they are going to say well, we had \$130,000 invested in this program and we really can't throw that away.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Three minutes.

SENATOR HABERMAN: We're just going to throw that money down the rat hole. So I'm going to ask this body let's stop this now. Let's wait a year because, as I say, you are going to end up spending \$7 million before you are through. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Warner, then Senator Beutler.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I always understand, when you get to capital construction, that the issue is always raised why spend money for this instead of operations. Traditionally it is always my position that you fund operations to the extent you can before you do capital construction. But from time to time there are things that occur that you have to accept. In the case of Morrill Hall, as everybody knows, it has serious, serious problems in the preserving of the many, many historical items that are in there, the climate control, those kinds of things. We've known it for a long time. What is in the bill is the complete...for the planning, funds for completion of the planning. But it does not commit us beyond that. The total anticipated cost is 4.3 million in the event that the Legislature approves it to go ahead, but we do not have those funds plugged in for next year's appropriation, waiting to see whether or not it is going to be feasible in terms of revenue receipts and other appropriations. I think Morrill Hall is another one of those examples that does not qualify for 309. The reason it takes more money is you cannot do just the mechanics and engineering, heating, climate control, without going into the structure itself for the air ducts and all the things that go with it. As a part of that you have some renovation costs as well. I think it would be not wise to eliminate the funding so that the planning could be completed. A gap in that funding is obviously going to result in higher cost.