

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: I believe I have a motion up on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Haberman would move to adjourn until nine o'clock, June 4.

SPEAKER NICHOL: You've heard the motion. All those in favor of adjourning vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 7 ayes, 26 nays on the motion to adjourn.

SPEAKER NICHOL: We are not adjourned. What else do you have on the bill, Mr. Clerk? Excuse me. Would you please turn out your speaking lights so we can see what is what. Thank you.

CLERK: Senator Haberman. You want to withdraw your amendment, Senator? Okay. Mr. President, the next motion I have is...actually the next motion I have is offered by Senator Haberman to indefinitely postpone. Okay. Mr. President, Senator Johnson and Senator DeCamp move to amend the bill. (Johnson-DeCamp amendment appears on pages 2650-51 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vard Johnson, are you going to take this? All right.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I would like to have your undivided attention for a few moments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Excuse me, the call is raised.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: This is the amendment which I believe will put to an end legislative consideration of the Commonwealth claim. What this amendment does very simply it says, "We accept the approved settlement figure \$8.5 million." As you know the court system has approved a settlement of \$8.5 million. It says we accept it. We will pay it. And, it says we will pay it by taking \$8.5 million from our cash reserve fund. From the \$35 million that we have in the bank to tide us over. We have already taken five million out to help balance the budget. We will now