

see if we can work this revenue problem out, but in so doing we're going to be confronted with this negative fiscal loss so I leave it to you and your individual judgment and wisdom as to what to do. But once again, this is an important structural change that we need to make if we can. So with that explanation, Mr. Speaker, I'd ask the advancement of the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I have no objection to Senator Hoagland's bill or what it's attempting to do, but I have to comment on the point he and Senator Warner made about a shortfall to the state. We're always talking about increasing the efficiency of government and Senator Hoagland's bill is designed to do that by putting a function where it more properly belongs, but he and Senator Warner want to do it at the expense of the public. Efficiency should not cost people more. The General Fund is the repository for the money taken in from the public in whatever form. So I think the vote that was just taken in defeating that last amendment was a vote for the people. We can still have government efficiency. We can let the fee that is going to be collected go to those who do the job. There is no reason for the state to continue receiving money for something in which it plays no part and we should not give them one hundred and something thousand dollars simply because they have been getting it. Before they tried to justify it by pointing out the role they played. The role having been taken away, the money should not be there either. So Senator Hoagland's bill is all right just like it is and I think the other vote, I'm going to repeat again, for once was in behalf of the people.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. Any further discussion? Senator Hoagland, would you like to close?

SENATOR HOAGLAND: (Response inaudible.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. All those in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. Do you have anything to put in at this time, Mr. Clerk? Okay, LB 531.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have no amendments on LB 531.