

you not to indefinitely postpone this bill but to give it your favorable consideration, and let's move it on so we are looking at this at least two years in advance. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Vickers, followed by Senators Goll, Warner and Hefner.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, members, I'm not a member of the Appropriations Committee, nor have I ever been a member of the Appropriations Committee. But I am going to oppose the kill motion to this particular bill. Any of you who are in business had ought to recognize the importance of planning ahead. I can't believe the arguments by some of those people who have supported the kill motion. I can't believe the argument by Senator Haberman that it won't save money and it ought to have a fiscal note indicating exactly how much money it might save. I don't think our rules necessarily say that you have to have a fiscal note if there is a potential for saving money with a bill. We are in the process right now, in our own business, of putting together our, we don't call it a budget, we call it a cash flow statement, but it is basically the same thing. It is not something that you like to do particularly when you've got a banker breathing down your neck, like many of us in agriculture are doing right now. But the fact of the matter is it does take time and a lot of effort to put together that budget. If you were a director of a state agency you would spend a considerable amount of your agency personnel's time putting that together year after year. If you are in private business you don't say here is the cash flow statement, or here is the budget that we are going to try to put together this year, and totally ignore what might happen next year or the year after that. I would suggest to you that most businesses use five year plans. Now they are plans, they are not set in concrete, and God knows they are changeable. You know the economy that Senator Wesely and others referred to has been effecting a lot of businesses as well. We've had to make adjustments in that plan that we had. But I would urge you to read the committee statement on this particular bill. I would urge you to read the fact that it contemplates, and it doesn't say so in the bill, but it says on the committee statement that it is contemplated that in even numbered years the Legislature may make amendments to the appropriations bill. I would guess that the Appropriations Committee would be deeply involved in