

add \$350,000 this year to the budget to do this. In the first place it's not going to take more than 175. So I'd urge that you adopt the resolution, and then provide the Exec Board and the Revenue Committee an opportunity to come in with whatever rationale they feel is correct and add, if anything, to the budget for next year.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Chairman, members of the body, as a member of the Revenue Committee I simply rise to support this amendment because I think we are dealing with data as far as people paying taxes that is 25 years old. Because everybody, if you go out back, us in here, all...everybody thinks we pay too much taxes. And we really don't know. So I think this...the businessman says he pays too much taxes. The farmer says he pays too much taxes. The whole...whole list of...a myriad of people in this state. So I think this study will give us kind of a benchmark that we can begin moving into the twenty-first century as far as money being spent. So I rise to support this resolution, and hopefully we can find the 175,000 this year. Maybe it won't take, like Senator Warner said, it won't take that amount of money. But I simply support this wholeheartedly. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lundy.

SENATOR LUNDY: Mr. President, I call the question.

PRESIDENT: Question has been called. I see five hands. I'll put the question to you because there are other speakers listed. The question is, shall the debate now close? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Motion is to cease debate. Please record your vote. We have a motion to cease debate on the Johnson amendment to resolution 384. Please record your vote. Have you all voted? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. Senator Johnson, you may close.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, this is Senator Johnson's mea culpa. We heard a mea culpa this morning from Senator Chambers, which was an unusual occurrence, sort of like sighting a UFO. Well, my mea culpa is that when I