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SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I'd move adoption of the amendment for the 158,000. I would tell you why at least the fiscal office reduced what they would assume and what we are talking about as projected hearing costs. The fact that the period was extended from 60 to 90 days helped to reduce any probable costs because there wouldn't be any hearings banked up right, one behind the other. The limitation of six months following any rate increase before another rate increase could take effect, that, obviously, reduced the probability of a number of hearings. It is assumed that there could be hearings that could commence in March of April of 1987. It would provide funding for the people in the event that that occurs. The PSC's revised note this morning was over 700,000. This, I think, I'm sure is certainly a more realistic number at 158.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the Warner amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The amendment is adopted. Now on the advancement of the bill. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I'd move that the bill be advanced. Again, I will repeat what I think would be your judgement. If you feel funding is necessary, I would hope you would vote to advance the bill. If, on the other hand, you feel that no funding is necessary, why that is okay. You should understand the only ramifications will be that neither will there be a deficit next year, nor an appropriation because that is the Legislature's intent.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the A bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The bill is advanced. Do you have anything to put in, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Yes, sir, I do. I have a lobby report for the week of