

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator. Next Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: I was speaking on a prior question. Question? Well, Senator Schmit is going to want to talk, aren't you? All right, question.

PRESIDENT: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? We have had some pro and con. All those in favor of closing debate vote aye, opposed vote nay. This is a motion to cease debate. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 5 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries. Senator Warner, if we get order in the Chamber here (gavel.)

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I would yield a portion of my time to Senator Schmit. I don't know what he's going to say.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Now, he's got me in a heck of a spot. Continuing the close cooperation that Senator Warner and I have had all during the session, I'd just like to bring a couple of points out here, part of which was brought out by Senator Sieck. Number one, there was a bill, 920, heard by the Public Works Committee, reported to the floor seven to one, that would do exactly what the Warner amendment did on 778. Secondly, I did know about the amendment and I asked Senator Warner if he wanted to put the amendment on there because I recognized that the bill, 920, would not get to the floor. Third, I did agree with the Governor on 1106 to transfer that responsibility to the office of the Governor. Fourth, had the Governor decided to be a candidate for reelection I would have felt compelled to have supported that position and I'm not really enthusiastic right now about taking it away from that office at this time. But I would have to say this, we've almost reached a point where, and I don't like to say this on Senator Warner's time, where Senator Warner believes that the director of the commission should preside over a fund without any money, and the Governor feels that the director should...he should have the prerogative of appointing the man who presides over a fund without any money. Unless you put some money in the fund, ladies and gentlemen, it won't make a nickels worth of difference who the dickens is going to be in charge. You've got \$100,000, I think, in the Natural Resources Fund and you have zero money in the Water Management Fund. So I just want to give you that little bit of information and then let you sit back and wonder how I'm going