

some 30 some counties did not have their audit while the other 60 some did at state expense. And so they are arguing, well, if 60 some counties could get their 1984 done, should not we as well at state expense? And so that is where the problem is. We can't probably deal with that. That is a retroactive problem, but certainly we need to clarify the situation so that we don't get ourselves in a legal mess and that is what the bill is trying to do and it is sitting in committee until we define whether or not it is under the call.

SENATOR MARSH: Senator Warner, is there anything further? We are now ready and will vote on the Auditor's section. Vote aye in support, nay for opposition. 25 votes required. The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendment as it relates to the State Auditor's Office.

SENATOR MARSH: The Attorney General, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I move adoption of amendment 9, the Attorney General. The Attorney General's reduction is similar to what we did in the...that the Governor did. The \$45,000 of operating money we specified two things. One was some general...a variety of things. It was a \$15,000 reduction and we did a specific. They have an Attorney IV position which is a higher position that will become vacant by virtue of retirement and we identified that as a specific cut on a continuing basis. It would have become vacant anyway and if it is to be refilled, it would have to come in as a new request some time in the future, but it would be a permanent reduction from the staff. So I would move the adoption of the \$45,000. It is a 3 percent reduction.

SENATOR MARSH: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam Chairman and members of the Legislature, I have been sitting here and I am so excited, I just can't hide it. I have been listening to Senator Warner and I have been watching, my colleagues' eyes are just glistening and everybody is so enraptured and so am I. So I want to ask Senator Warner a question. Senator Warner...Senator Warner has gone to sleep now, but if somebody would prod him gently. I would like to ask you a