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issue, and it is. Either the Legislature has that responsibility, as we have said it does, emanating out of the Constitution, or it doesn't. And if it doesn't, then there is little purpose in having the artificial trappings of the authority and responsibility of setting tax rates. So I think the bill should be heard and I don't know what else to say other than that I will take the appropriate measures.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. The purpose of my bringing this up was so that in case this should be heard I didn't want it to run beyond the length of time that we had had in mind initially for this session. There are other lights on. Senator Haberman and Senator Schmit, I understand wanted to...Senator Haberman first.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, my question is that there was so much noise going on I did not hear what Senator Warner said. Could you repeat what he said?

SPEAKER NICHOL: What he said basically was that there would be hearings starting at ten o'clock this morning and we, as members of the Legislature, were invited to sit in on those hearings.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Did he make any reference to there being some other cuts being printed or something being printed and not ready yet?

SPEAKER NICHOL: No, he didn't refer to specifics in the bills.

SENATOR HABERMAN: And they are starting at what time? Ten o'clock?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Ten o'clock this morning.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Is that correct, Senator Warner? Any problem? Okay. Thank you, Senator Haberman. Senator Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I have just visited with Senator Cal Carsten relative to the scheduling of a hearing on LB 5. I agree with Senator DeCamp, the bill is within the call. It is for the purpose of reducing appropriations. I believe it is the proper way to do it. I believe it ought to be addressed in this session and I believe that there should be a public hearing on it. I believe the bill should be referenced to the Public Works Committee and I think that this session of