

SPEAKER NICHOL: The motion fails. We are back on the Landis amendment. Senator Hoagland, you are the next speaker. Other than Senator Schmit, we have no other lights on. Senator Schmit, we skipped over you because you were gone. Did...

SENATOR SCHMIT: Very briefly. I think Senator DeCamp just pointed out where the bear goes through the rye. You are willing to bleed, and bleed, and bleed, but you are not willing to chop the dogs head off. I think we ought to just go ahead and vote to support Senator Landis's amendment and be done with it. We are not going to abuse the agencies any more. I think we ought to let them know that they stand on an equal basis with other areas and other individuals and other groups.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Schmit, was that the closing on the motion? All right. The question is the adoption of the Schmit-Landis, whoever else was in on it, motion. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 15 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senators Landis, Chambers, and Schmit's amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The motion advances.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have to the bill is offered by Senator Haberman. (Haberman amendment appears on page 25 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Haberman, please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I don't really see how anybody can fuss with this amendment. It pertains to the Research and Development Authority of which this body passed the legislation this year. I voted for it, and it passed on a vote of 38-20. We voted to give them \$2 million a year for 5 years. Up until this day, today, they have spent a total of \$35,000. They have taken \$300,000, with \$100,000 they opened a checking account, the other \$200,000 they put in banks to draw interest. And the \$1,700,000 left was given to the investment officer to be invested. So, what I am asking in my amendment is that we ask for \$1 million back for this year. That still leaves them \$700,000 to operate for the next six months. Now we can use that \$1 million, as we all know, and it is just going to sit there and draw interest and do no one any