

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Anyone else wishing to discuss the resolution? Seeing no one, Senator Conway, did you wish to close?

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. Again, I appreciate the concerns that Senator Moore brought forth with respect to this being the technique. I guess in part we don't know what that technique is. In terms of what agencies or what activities will be identified by the Performance Review Committee, we found that this seemed to be the typical situation that we thought that the Performance Review Committee was designed to address in that we were dealing with a lot of information with respect to the efficiency and some of the bills that were being introduced, provided some changes to the way that that agency and that commission was handling things, and yet by the same token then a wave of information comes out that there might be a lot of misinformation, disinformation and the like that was going on that to some degree there may be some internal political activity as well that was putting out some of this information. And so it appeared to the committee that, one, there ought to be a study resolution, as we do in this body quite often; but, two, who might be best to do that, and it seemed as if it would be the Performance Review Committee. And that's why it's identified that they would do the study. But I do appreciate what Senator Moore is saying, you know, will this end up being every time what used to be an interim type study is proposed that within that resolution you direct it specifically to the Performance Review Committee, and to simply pile on that particular load onto that particular group. I think within the realm of the resolution process that the Performance Review Committee ought to and still not pick up a study that they don't feel is within the realm of what they want to do, what they can do, what they can handle and the like and have that prerogative. But this is simply a process that we resolve that. We think this is the best place for it to be done, and yet the Performance Review Committee should not be strangled, if you will, with these kinds of activities, and still has the prerogative to pick it up or not pick it up as they view appropriate for their workload. So, with that, I offer the resolution as printed.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Conway. You've heard the closing on the resolution. We will now vote on the resolution. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.