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PRESIDENT: We're ready for General File. First one up is LB639A. Clerk will read the title.

CLERK: Read title. LB 639A

PRESIDENT: Senator Wallwey.

SENATOR WALLWEY: I move that LB639A be advanced from General File to E & R for initial.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I'd like to have a detailed explanation of what it does and why it costs us so much money.

SENATOR WALLWEY: Senator Carpenter, I believe this is a companion bill to LB639. It provides the necessary state funds for financing this particular bill.

SENATOR CARPENTER: What happens if we don't pass it? Is the federal government going to threaten us again?

SENATOR WALLWEY: I don't know. I don't know whether 639A has to move along with 639 or not. I would suppose that the federal government would look at us with a little suspicion if we passed 639 and didn't include any funds for the project.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Mr. President, I would move we indefinitely postpone LB639A.

PRESIDENT: There's a motion to indefinitely postpone LB636 A. Is there any further discussion? All those in favor of -- Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: I wonder if Senator Carpenter would yield to a question.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter yield.

SENATOR BARNETT: Senator Carpenter I seem to have lost track. It seems that you're trying to continually stop the funds on ADC and to these dependent children. Could you explain this a little bit.

SENATOR CARPENTER: The Senator is correct. I am trying so far as one person can, in order to try to make this body conscience of a situation which is intolerable in the field of welfare. As I said the other day I'm in agreement to bring about a collision with the federal government to see whether or not they're going to cut out the funds for these various welfare programs if we don't comply with everything they say we have to do. I don't think they will. I don't know. I'm in favor of calling their bluff. If they cut off the funds, it only takes a little effort on our part to reconsider what we might do this morning. I think we're now at the crossroads of this thing as to whether