

bad idea in that, to limit that tire fund until it's spent down and started, because it is a sore spot in the country. Who properly can answer that? Senator Robinson.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, when we drafted the legislation my coinroducers had some problems with that, Senator Byars and Senator Horgan had some problems with it. And I...I...we came to the consensus that we'll take a...as we move, in the next year or two, we'll take a look at the fund and if we feel that the fund is...is too high, I had the same feeling, of course, that's the reason I put that...that...that portion in there, Senator Wehrbein. And hopefully we can get some action on this. And if we do have a large surplus I know it's a problem, especially with the tire people. So I think we have to look at that as we go down the road in the next year or two and see just how this...these grants unfurl. I think it's a good question, though. Hope I've answered your question.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Robinson. Further discussion on the committee amendments, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm not sure again if my question is to Senator Beutler or Senator Robinson. But would you expand a little more on what it is your...the intent of what priority means? By itself it...it...I'm not sure, does it mean that if there's five different applications and one of them deals with some type of method for tires, that that, in fact, will be the number one thing that will be approved, or does it mean if tech...from a technical review standpoint there are three that have a greater likelihood to be of general benefit to the public, and that would take...would be the one that would...the grant that would be more likely to be approved, and the priority follows behind that? I'm just looking for a definition as a practical matter of what priority will do. I'm not objecting to it, I'm...

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, Senator Warner, talked to...visited with Randy Wood about this, and the...the money for these grants would come...would come just out of the one fund, the dollar...the tire fee assessment. And what we're saying is that there could be other grants out there,