

that everybody really understands what we're doing and not take a lot of time. I really do not believe the bill that Senator Wickersham is bringing to us that would cause a pretty radical shift in the way in which the Board of Educational Lands and Funds does its business is an appropriate item for consent calendar. It's one, frankly, maybe as I understand it better, I would be supportive of. There is some appeal to the changing the portfolio of lands that exist but I'm not sure how it would work and I'm not sure I'm comfortable with the Board of Educational Lands and Funds in effect becoming real estate speculators, selling some land, buying some land, who knows whether they're going to sell it, what the criteria will be. I think the system that we now have is probably one that I'm more comfortable living with that until we have time for a much fuller discussion and explanation. I'm not swayed much by the fact that there wasn't much opposition to this. I think this is an idea whose time needs to come. As you know, we've had a lot of controversy over the years about educational lands and funds. This does not sell the land. This does not change the distribution of it. There are more contentious issues. I may be back supporting this at a future date but, at this time, I'm not very, very excited about doing it. So that's what my amendment does is delays the implementation date.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Withem. Senator Monen, did you wish to speak to the Withem amendment?

SPEAKER WITHEM: I was not completed, I wanted to yield some of my time to Senator Wickersham.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: I'm sorry. Thank you, Senator Withem. Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: How much time is left?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One the bill, two minutes; for you, seven.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Well, I think the agreement is here we're not attempting to kill this bill, so, Senator Withem, if you will withdraw your amendment, I will withdraw mine.

SPEAKER WITHEM: I withdraw my amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Withem amendment is withdrawn. The Wickersham amendment is withdrawn. Are there any further