

And I never thought about it being cigarette tax or General Fund. It really didn't make any difference. The real issue was how much capital construction you were going to authorize, and you shouldn't authorize any more than is necessary, whether...regardless of what that fund source might have been. So as a matter of policy I'm much more comfortable with using the appropriation. As others have said, obviously to some extent what happens today on overrides, they're going to have some impact on the revenue appropriation gap next time, but there are other things that's going to even have a greater impact. I, like others, believe that the probability of that gap and the problem of adequate revenue, or the conflicting option of reducing or eliminating programs is going to be a real issue.

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR WARNER: Those things, in my mind, all are less of a problem as the bill is now drafted and would have been the case with some of the alternatives that were earlier discussed. So, again in conclusion, I'm still going to have a problem pushing, I guess, a yes button, but it doesn't relate to any of the issues, other than the personal property tax one. And fortunately the bill is probably long enough that I can think about it as the Clerk is reading it and decide which button to push. (Laughter.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Warner. Next light on is Senator Hillman. I don't believe Senator Hillman is in the Chamber. Senator Robinson. Question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. Question is, shall debate now cease? All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Debate is ceased. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. Speaker, members, just very briefly, I want to extend my appreciation to all who talked on this issue. You know we came at this late at night, kind of rushed up, we didn't have much time. I thought it was appropriate for all of us that had some strong feelings to have a chance to express ourselves, and also for purposes of intent to have some discussion about that. This is clearly one of the biggest bills we'll have this session, and it's important to think through exactly what we