

\$100 Million Skyjacker Seized After Wild Trip

Kirk Hints Court Move On Budget

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TALLAHASSEE — Gov. Claude Kirk may ask the Florida supreme court for an opinion on the legality of the \$1.278 billion state budget awaiting his action.

Kirk considers unconstitutional the tie-in of all money for public schools for the next year to a \$48.5 million bonus for district school operations and a pending bill raising \$123 additional education money during the next three years. The legislature would have to appropriate the additional funds.

KIRK ASKED the state legislature's presiding officers to rush the budget, passed Wednesday, to his office. The request for the court opinion cannot be made until the bill is in the governor's possession.

Kirk requested quick delivery in letters to speaker Fred Schultz and Senate President John E. Mathews Jr.

Mathews reported there would be no problem in getting the bill to Kirk late Thursday but Schultz, who controls it (it originated in the house), informed Kirk the "mechanical task of engrossing these bills usually takes three or four days at the least." He indicated it might be Monday before Kirk gets it.

SCHULTZ INDICATED he anticipates a veto and added, "It would be irresponsible, and the governor would run into a political buzz saw if he does veto."

Sources in Kirk's office said there are several alternatives the governor can employ to trim the education money in the appropriation bill.



Turlington Death Kiss Dooms Resort Tax Bill

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TALLAHASSEE — Rep. Ralph Turlington single-handedly removed the troubled resort tax from the house special order calendar Thursday, probably dooming it for this session.

The Gainesville Democrat, apparently miffed because his appropriations committee was by-

and taxation, have any better luck persuading speaker Fred Schultz to rescind the assignment of the bill to appropriations.

Turlington said he acted to halt the bill when he learned the revenue department would collect

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Pilot Shot, Passengers Flee Safely

WASHINGTON — A hijacker demanding \$100 million cash from the U.S. Treasury held 91 airline passengers hostage Thursday in an eight-hour sky-high drama that ended when he was lured back to the ground and seized in a scuffle that left the pilot and hijacker wounded.

The passengers scrambled to safety after the plane landed for a second time at Dulles International Airport, where earlier the gun-wielding man had collected \$100,750 from the airline — the first ransom ever paid a hijacker.

THE PLANE'S pilot, Capt. Dale C. Hupe, was shot in the abdomen by a small caliber weapon. The hijacker, who identified himself as Arthur G. Barkley of Phoenix, Ariz., was wounded in the thumb when he was overpowered.

The hijacker had forced the TWA jetliner to make a second landing at Dulles after officials told him 100 sacks of \$100 bills were waiting on the runway. Actually, airline officials said, the money bags were stuffed with paper.

More than three hours earlier, the hijacker had forced the Phoenix-to-Washington TWA jet to make its initial landing at Dulles. There he received the \$100,750 carried onto the plane in a brown canvas bag by another pilot.

BUT, CLAIMING he was short-changed, the hijacker refused to release the passengers or crew. Instead, he forced the plane to take off on a circuitous route south, then north over New York state, then south back to the Washington area.

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