

SENATOR HABERMAN: Has the Appropriations Committee held a meeting and discussed this issue and voted whether we should pay this money or not?

SENATOR WARNER: Well, we did this morning and yesterday. The letter was distributed to the members when it came. We went and found as much information that any of the members had. This morning it was again circulated individually. I believe each of them concurred that we should follow the advice of the Attorney General and put this into the appropriation bill. There was not a meeting...

SENATOR HABERMAN: You say you went through the Appropriations Committee and they committed themselves, individually?

SENATOR WARNER: That is my understanding that each of them concurred.

SENATOR HABERMAN: How many of them, do you know?

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Goodrich was not present.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Pardon?

SENATOR WARNER: It was done this morning and apparently Senator Goodrich was not present.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well, I'm not criticizing the way you did this, I'm just saying that to do something through a letter and circulate it on the floor and say should we approve it seems pretty quick to me, but...

SENATOR WARNER: Well, Senator, Senator...

SENATOR HABERMAN: I'm not going to fight with you.

SENATOR WARNER: No, I understand. You remember I said first I had a phone call Thursday. I mentioned it. I don't know if I got to everybody, I honestly don't recall, last Thursday, but I know I told several we may have this coming. The letter came Tuesday. It was circulated then. There was some discussion. There were questions, which we went to find out. Yesterday I just frankly didn't have a chance to have a meeting. This morning, in order to solicit the