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that some of the things we have been discussing on this floor and were originally brought to the attention of this body were things that came about, as far as rumors that were maybe printed in the press and not necessarily based upon facts of actual votes in the Executive Board and I think that before we get much further involved into this issue, I think that after this that we should make it clear that we know exactly what those votes were and the fact that the chairman has never acted without the full consent of the majority of that body of the Executive Board. And so I think, rather than relying sometimes on rumors or misstatements of fact, I think we should first find out what the facts were and what the vote was and the fact that the chairman was reacting to a vote of the Executive Board. And I think that we do need this motion maybe to just sort of clarify at a point where we maybe got off on some rumors and maybe then some feelings were hurt, and I think, maybe, we need this motion to get ourselves back in line to what it actually says on the statutes and we can always come back and in this body vote to reject any decisions that we have made and I think you will find exactly outlined here what we can do and what we can't do. So, Senator Nore, I would suggest with this in hand, I don't think that we have to be concerned or that we will be duped by this particular motion.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Cal Carsten, then Mahoney, Snyder, Warner, Skarda, Hasebroock, Stahmer and Chambers.

SENATOR CAL CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, we have taken some valuable time this morning to discuss a question here that I think is important and I'm sure, at least in my mind, it was brought about by a possible expenditure of a considerable amount of money. I think that we have elected an Executive Board, members who are intelligent, wise, and very capable of handling the operations of this body when we're not in session. In addition to this, I believe that this Board, if they have a question in their discussion, wondering whether the Legislature should look at this before they make a decision, I believe that they are capable and will come to this body and ask their advice. I think that this discussion has been good and it will only reaffirm, and to Senator Carpenter I say, reaffirm our feeling towards our chairman and our Executive Board. Thank you.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Mahoney, then Senator Snyder.

SENATOR MAHONEY, Mr. President, with the speech by my seatmate, Senator Cal Carsten, I should be satisfied and sit down. He used all those fine words about the Executive Board and it's with that type of cooperation that I think the Executive Board can take a hold of this type of thing and move forward because, if you'll remember, there were several senators including Senator Luedtke and Carpenter and Senator Chambers that were absent the last week attending meetings and a lot of these questions Senator Nore did bring to the floor that was beyond the computer study expenditure. They concerned the Executive Board making decisions concerning the fiscal analyst staff, salaries and office space, etc. and I think, really, Senator Nore and Senator Whitney--Senator Whitney is over underneath the balcony--he is not listening to this particular thing but I wish he would--these are things, Senator Whitney, that are most important because the Legislature in its bill last year by Senator Carstens brought this thing into focus and gave that additional power which was to make decisions concerning salaries, office space, pens and pencils, water cups, and this I think you want your Executive Board to make. But if it comes to \$16,500, Senator Nore and Senator Whitney, we want you to share in that decision. I don't want that on my back alone. I want to bring that back to