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SENATOR CARPENTER: In my judgment, no. Now, Senator Stahmer asked about the, I, also. Now I got a letter here from Davis, Clark & Associates who are the architects, engineers and planners and paragraph 3, which I put on every Senator's desk, it says; revision described above would bring the net tenant usable typical floor area to an efficiency factor of 78.3%. Now this is the letter I put on your desks, a copy of the letter from the architects. There was three areas of information on the things that I give, I put on every Senator's desk.

SENATOR WHITNEY: But, Senator Carpenter, that's less than 80--80% and so what I'm just, if you can assure me that this does not create a problem then I'm willing to go along with you but I'm just wanting to bring this up as a, a question as to whether this, changing this from 72 to 80 which apparently is done here in writing--

SENATOR CARPENTER: Are you talking--

SENATOR WHITNEY: --if, if you took into consideration the parking areas or the areas where there would be space for motor vehicles.

SENATOR CARPENTER: So in the original plan, Senator, as I recall, the usable space was somewhere around 65 or 70% which would allow for a lot of unusable area in the form of decorations and a great big circular hole in the center of the building. They finally figured that probably we'd want more usable space. Now I can assure you, Senator, that insofar as parking is concerned, it will not affect that one foot and they indicate in the letter which I placed on, that they say 78.3, I'm sure that 80% is entirely practical and probable and will be done. Now if you want a building, glorification of a building which I would have no objection to if that's what they want to do, in order to have a lot of waste space, in order to apply to whatever our ego might be, why we don't want 80%.

SENATOR WHITNEY: This answers my question. I want to thank you, Senator Carpenter.

SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion? The question is, shall the Carpenter amendment to the committee amendments be adopted. Are you ready for the question? All those in favor of the Carpenter amendment to the committee amendments, say aye. Those opposed no. The amendment is adopted. Now we have Senator Kremer's motion to adopt the committee amendment as amended. Are you ready for the question? All those in favor of the committee amendment as amended, say aye. Those opposed no. The committee amendment, as amended, is adopted. Now what will you do with the--

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion (read).

SPEAKER: Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President and Members of the body, I have scant hopes that this amendment will be adopted, but I'm going to tell you why I'm offering it. We do not now know where we stand with the amounts of monies available in the Governor's operational budget with or without any amendments as it would pertain to most of the budgeting of this State; including those programs that are for the retarded, for the mentally ill, for corrections and I could name a host of others. I think that our first duty is to decide what we do or do not want to do with the operational budget, what Federal funds we do or do not have, how much we do or do not want to raise the Governor's recommendations because of these lack of Federal funds and after our programs are adopted, it is ample time to consider buildings and I'll go on record here right now,