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SENATOR MARVEL: I'd like to take a few moments of the Legislatures time and begin to refer you to the hand out. This large handout which is Budget Recommendations for the operation of State Government for 1974-75. I'd like to make a few comments and then I would like to refer you to specifically to the book and then suggest seriously that you spend a considerable length of time on the book and go through it at your leisure. Because as you can see it composed of many pages which means that it took considerable length of time on the part of many people. Now I'd like to make a few opening remarks and then some specific ones. We had a resolution a few moments ago, at least when the discussion started this morning in recognition to the contribution to the George Gerdes meant to this body. May I say to you that this document perhaps is the final contribution that George will make formally to this body and if you wonder actually authored this particular book that's before you know. There are three people involved. And the three people include George Gerdes, who has fought for years to get additional information to the Legislature. Additional budget information. And you can only make greater decisions in depth as you get this information and that's the major function of this document. Second contribution is made by Terry Carpenter, representing the Executive Board. And the third contribution comes from yours truly who began to work with the fiscal staff specifically in this area two days after the Legislature adjourned. In other words you adjourn on the 2nd of June, we began this effort on the 4th of June. Developing not only a fiscal staff but these particular recommendations. Now what you see before you

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