

withdraw my motion to override the Governor's veto. I will leave this though to the body and let the other Senators decide. I have had a tremendous amount of support and I do have a lot of support. I have not come to this decision easily and the Governor has assured me that there will be \$500,000 of the \$1 million federal funds that are available now through the Department of Public Institution that will be allocated to drug abuse and mental health programs. Of this, \$300,000 was to go to alcohol and drug abuse and 200 would go for mental health programs and given the bad revenue picture as we see it today, I think that this appropriation for fiscal year '85 and '86 was about as much as I could come up with. By accepting this federal money and working with the Governor and participating in this fiscal restraint, I think that the alcohol and drug abuse programs may be better increased for future funding but that I certainly cannot guarantee. And I sincerely hope that, if my motion is upheld, that all of you will take the same restraints in your appropriation bills and the various programs that we vote and speak on in the next few days. However, if anyone in the body wishes to speak on this issue, I wish they would and I am certainly not against entertaining a motion to override my consideration right now and I would like to have the body to be able to debate this and make up their own mind which way they would like to go.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator. The Chair recognizes Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Mr. President, members of the body, I am not going to be quite so generous as Senator Nelson. I feel that we should override. We have a groundswell of people out there that feel that we are going to let them down if we do not override this particular issue. There is a need there. Yes, I know that we are short of funds. I know that our general fund is going to be hard to come by, but when we are in a condition as we are today, we are going to have more problems out there and we are going to need those dollars, and I feel that with the A bill as it is addressed will give us these funds. So I am going to support the override and I am asking the body to do it also because I feel that it is very, very important that we get these funds in that particular area. Now as you all know, we compromised on the A bill, the original A bill, and we came down because we felt that maybe we were asking for too much. I really don't think we were but we did come down and to me