

realized if 83 passed would be \$500,000?

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And if 31 passes on that other amendment, the amount that would be cut would be \$600,000?

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think...oh, what will this \$500,000 go for if other than reducing this appropriations bill by \$500,000? Is there anything specifically that this money will go for?

SENATOR HANNIBAL: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, maybe the cart was put before the horse. Maybe before they stepped on the babies they should have tried to get this money first and have a trade off, but they've stepped on the babies and now they want to get some more money too. For what? \$846 million, and we're around here quibbling about \$500,000 to get over here, cutting off \$600,000 over there that can do so much good. The harm done by cutting it is immeasurable. The good that could have been done by leaving it there is also immeasurable. What some of you probably would hope is that there might be some poor black woman out there carrying a child and were the child to be born he would be like me, so the best thing is to make sure that she can't carry that child to term. But if you've been reading statistics, the likelihood is greater that the child would be like one of you because the majority of those getting abortions are young single white women, if we have to put it in those terms, but we ought to be aware of what we are talking about. So maybe it's not even a good practice. In any sense, to be dealing as this amendment deals, you're going to pick up \$500,000 here which is a pittance to do nothing of value with when you've just destroyed a concept and a kindness that we owe. I'm not going to support this amendment. I see happening on this budget proposition a repeat to some extent of what happened the first day where people packaged a lot of things together, packaged a lot of people together and said, take all of this in exchange for that and they did it. I see people whose principles, if they had any principles, couldn't have voted the way they did on that last amendment, but they did, so their