

SENATOR BEUTLER: Here is what the lobby is going to do to you. First of all, they are going to get the Wesely amendment adopted. All right? Then all of the exclusions will be gone and then there are going to be a whole bunch of you mad because mental retardation, blind rehabilitation, veterans homes, all of these things were excluded. Right? Then the next thing Senator Wesely does, and he has the amendment up there, is to reduce it to 1.5 percent and he argues, now that we've done away with the exclusion the cent and a half is enough. So he tries to get you to do that. Then when you're down to a cent and a half all these people who are offended by the exclusions come roaring back in to add it all back in again. And then we have not made the tax cut. The lobby manipulates, manipulates, manipulates. We're like a little fish bowl here and we're all swimming around, the big cat comes around and he grabs his paw down into the water and we all flitter away. I tell you we should be like a bunch of piranha and grab that little paw and pull him down into the water and make him struggle for his life. I hope you won't adopt another one of these kinds of amendments. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Next on this list is Senator Withem. Do you wish to speak on the Wesely amendment?

SENATOR WITHEM: Call the question.

PRESIDENT: Oh. Senator DeCamp, you had yielded some time. I'm sorry. Senator DeCamp, you're recognized. I was told that Senator DeCamp yielded his time. Sorry.

SENATOR DECAMP: When I yield you'll know it. Mr. President and members, I want to make something real clear. There can't be a lobbyist, there can't be a lobbyist stupid enough to be behind what's going on. Even the dumbest lobbyist ain't that dumb. This issue is decided. You're going to have some cuts. Now you blew your chance, Senator Wesely, if you were interested in something less painful to the University, you blew it. And if you're off on your own course of thinking you're going to harass the bill or the amendments or whatever, you're on a fatal course. I think they're showing all the brilliance that has been shown on the Commonwealth thing with this kind of harassment. You're going to have it one way or the other. You're going to have some spending cuts. You had your shot, you blew it. Now