

Committee as a whole or the individual members for what they have done. If they felt that some of these programs ought not be cut, they should have said so and if they were outvoted, they should stand on the floor now, but if they're not going to say anything then they by their silence indicate that they agree with what was done and the responsibility is theirs. And I just feel that some of these cuts ought not to be made especially by an Appropriations Committee that doesn't like the idea of across the board cuts. I know that I heard some members of that committee explain the evils of this method of budgeting. I know that I heard that and now here they are doing it and all going along with it and I'm supposed to be mute because they are. I don't need anything from the Appropriations Committee. I don't drink coffee with them. I don't go wherever they go when the lobbyists are feeding them so I don't have to go along and be quiet and act like I agree with this stuff or have one document in which two conflicting philosophies of budgeting exist and say, take it as a unit. What am I supposed to believe? That they don't think across the board budgeting is right or that they think it is right? Well, obviously, for their purposes when they're doing it, it's right. When they're not doing it and it doesn't suit their purpose, it's wrong. That's why I said before, the Appropriations Committee feels that something is right, not because it is right, but because the Appropriations Committee did it. They are contradicting themselves, but it's right because they are doing it. I don't have to do that. I'm not a member of that committee. I don't have so much loyalty to any committee or thing in this Legislature where I've got to go against what I believe and stand up and tell people I don't believe in this but I've got to vote for it. I don't got to do anything and I don't see anybody in here with a gun up to their head, but there are other types of guns that we don't see and hands that we don't see.

SENATOR LAMB: One minute, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You're right. I was checking. I don't think that this cut ought to be made, but it probably will be made and I have much work in front of me to do in trying to counteract something that I think was very bad, that I think is very bad. And for those who are trying to find a way to shut me up, I have a priority motion up there and I can make other priority motions too. So I think what you