

we've spent two weeks and five of those days we weren't even here. What they are accustomed to doing is greasing the budget and after two or three hours of cursory discussion and mumbling it slides on across the board and over to the Governor and that hasn't happened this time. People have had a concern about what is being done and what is being foisted on us by the Appropriations Committee and some of us are going to fight it, at least one of us.

PRESIDENT: Time is expiring. Senator Lamb. Senator Lamb, the motion is to bracket the bill until June 10th, and then Senator DeCamp, Warner, Harris and Marsh.

SENATOR LAMB: Question.

PRESIDENT: Well, Senator DeCamp. The Chair prefers not to call the question this early with only one member having spoken.

SENATOR DECAMP: No, I don't want to do that.

PRESIDENT: All right. You may, but then I...

SENATOR DECAMP: No, no, no, no, no, no. Mr. President and members, I want to make something very clear. I'm not angry. I only get angry about once a session, maybe only once every two or three sessions and I did that little bit last week. I just like to expedite things when I get ready for supper and when I think it is stalemated. That is all I was trying to do. I still think it was a good idea and I think it flushed out a little bit where we were, gave a fix on who is where and what's possible and impossible and it was a barometer and maybe gives a direction to try something else. I think it was two weeks ago I proposed an amendment to my 2 percent amendment. It came within one vote of passing. In fact, I think if one other person had been here, it would have passed. And I suggest I thought it was a far more fair and reasonable thing and that was that old 1 percent, 4 percent. Believe it or not, that in conjunction with the...what do you call it, the transfer of the \$5.6 million from the fund, that package totals more than what we're sitting on right now. It totals about, I think, \$17 million. Incredible as it sounds, that package was acceptable, acceptable to everybody except, quite frankly, the public employees, but I think if they would look at it, they would figure out that package gives them