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SENATOR DECAMP: Yes, sir. My reason is exactly the reason given by Senator Wesely as to why he thinks I'm doing it, that is to foreclose the chance for any other overrides because as you correctly point out the rules contemplate obviously a period of time, two, three days, I don't know what the number is, and as he correctly points out, if you pass off of it, then you can come back and do more overrides later. So my goal, very honestly, as he stated, as you anticipate, is to cut off your opportunity, his opportunity for more veto overrides. So don't misunderstand why I'm doing it. I'm doing it...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, and Senator DeCamp, do you agree that the purpose of that rule was to let the budget committee take the first shot and then allow others to be given the opportunity to consider whichever items the budget committee saw fit to ignore?

SENATOR DECAMP: Absolutely. That was within the contemplation of that rule. That was the idea. That is why I believe it is going to operate that way unless I suspend it and so to speak, cut him out of his chance, because you know that you will come back on the commissions and you will probably succeed next time and some of the others so I'm trying to...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator DeCamp, he is lobbying on my time, but John the Shepherd is very straightforward on some items such as this. Although I feel there has been unfairness in the way the overrides were handled today, I don't think there is any need to compound that now and say that only the big, only the powerful, only the prestigious will be given even the opportunity to seek an override. I know that many of you have gotten out of the budget or back into it what you wanted. I know that the budget committee put at the very bottom those items they felt had the least desirability. Had they put into the middle of consideration there might have been a better chance for them to go, I know it and everybody else knows it.