

But we have been told that we have to make cuts. We do have to...we still have to come up with a lot of extra revenue. These cuts that are proposed here are not going to take care of our cash flow problems. I believe the cuts are reasonable. I know the school administrators are going to probably be very unhappy with me for what I am saying but I think they can live with it. And I believe it is something that we can get a consensus in this Legislature and get home in a very short while. If we don't do something like this, we are going to be here a long time. I don't think there is anybody here in this group that would even suggest that the Appropriations' suggestions are going to be accepted. As much respect as I have for them, I think they have done a wonderful job. But we have to come up with something that we can get 30 votes for. And so I would urge all of you to have a very careful look at this amendment and I believe it is something that we can all go home and live with. I think we can answer to our local people for what we have done and then some of those cuts that need to be made in special agencies we can do in a regular session at a time I think when it should be done. I hope that you will support it.

SENATOR MARSH: Thank you. Before I recognize Senator DeCamp, I would like to read the list of names as I have them. Following Senator DeCamp will be Senator Abboud, Withem, Schmit, Hannibal, Conway, Lamb, Vickers. I call on Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, a couple things I want to clear up before we go very far. There is some question raised as to what is being implied or suggested to the Appropriations Committee. I am saying that I believe for the first time the Appropriations Committee is totally believed. That is why for the first time this amendment may have some credibility itself. Let me explain. The Appropriations Committee has been telling us for a couple years, day in, day out, rain or shine, you are going to have X number of dollars and you can either do it with cuts or you can do it with increased revenue. We send signals to them and say, go do it with cuts with the state budget. Go do it with cuts with the state budget. They bring back proposals and then we say, well, gosh, we wanted you to do something but that hurts, that is an owe you are offering us. I think for the first time the Appropriations Committee is totally believed and that is why this becomes a reasonable alternative because we have been sending them the