

the Governor has won. The executive is supreme. And instead of saying there has been a succession of Governors who you can't quite get in the correct order because they didn't do anything, they will say there was a period of time when they had 49 people down there and I can't remember the names of more than two of them and two of them, by the way, may decide to set up a slate running for Governor and Lieutenant Governor and won't that be something. They may not win but I bet they would create a lot of energy...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Time is up, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...and interest in the state.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Rupp.

SENATOR RUPP: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I realize there are few of us on the floor and those that aren't I hope are listening somewhere. I suspect that maybe if only two or three of you are listening, I am not just giving a speech to give Senator Chambers a chance to catch his breath. There are a couple of points that I want to make that I hope you remember when you vote on this.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Higgins, for what reason do you rise?

SENATOR HIGGINS: I think my ears are plugged but I can't hear anything Senator Rupp is saying.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, I think Senator Higgins has indicated that the noise level in the Legislature is a little too high. Please take cognizance of that. Senator Rupp.

SENATOR RUPP: I am not going to bore you with a long speech. I realize I may not have a lot of credibility in this area. Some of you think I have a vested interest. I don't, believe that. But I do have a little knowledge of this I would like to share with you. Game and Parks has suffered far more than 3 percent diminishing revenue base, far more than 5.65 percent. Senator Scofield is going to share with you some figures she said and I hope at least one or two of you will listen to this. It is 70 percent of Game and Parks funds come from cash funds, from cash funds. That translates to hunting and fishing licenses and park