

SENATOR HABERMAN: May we have a little quiet in here, please. Senator Wesely, I started out my conversation that I'm not against the Research and Development Authority. I thoroughly believe in it. I believe you just made the remark that in a few years they will be self-sufficient and rolling, isn't that correct? That is correct, although he didn't say so. He said, in a few years they will be self-sufficient and rolling. However, in the minutes, in the minutes of their meeting they are going to ask for more money than the \$2 million in '87-88 and '88-89. They are going to ask for more money, yet here on one side we are saying they are going to be self-sufficient. So, I am saying this, if you use good, common sense, if you give somebody a million bucks, and you see what they do with that million dollars, that they do a good job, if they do everything they say that the Research and Development Authority is going to do, then you give them more money. We are doing it backwards. We are giving them \$2 million a year. We've seen no results. They've been in operation, they've done nothing, they've hired no one. They put the money out on interest. We're here to cut the budget. I'll take the million dollars, Senator Wesely, and give it to the university, then we won't have to cut them a million dollars this year. Let's use it and give it to the university. I'm willing to give the million dollars back to them, give it back to them next year or the year after that. But the only thing I'm saying is this, if we are in such dire financial straits, why are we making a gift to somebody to put in a bank account to draw interest when we could use the million dollars right here in the state budget. I don't understand this. This is not good business in my way of thinking. It isn't the way I run my business. Maybe you people that have businesses run yours that way. Those that have never had a business, maybe you would run yours that way. But I say here is a million dollars that they are not using and that we could use it, the university can use it, a lot of people can use it, and we are saying, no, let it sit, it is seed money. We're not destroying their seed money, we are just going to use it, we'll give it back to them. So, that is the only thing I'm saying is let's take the million back for six months, give them their two million for the next two years, then always have a million dollars coming when they produce and if they need it. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the Haberman amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. It requires 25 votes. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.