

there is nothing in the law that says the Governor has to do anything. That was our error in writing that law. It was based on trust. It was based on the idea that one person who asked the other, the Legislature, to take the obligation responsibility wouldn't then thwart it which is what has occurred. So I'm not sure if doing six million and giving the impression you're solving a major problem when the problem is 60 to 100 million is really very responsible and I wonder if it isn't more responsible just to let it until January. I question that. But my main purpose was to bring it to a head. I'd like to give my final two or three minutes to Senator Hall and then I hope I'll withdraw this and let Senator Lynch or whoever offer their sine die and get that out of our way one way or the other and then, if it doesn't go, let's get the bill advanced and finish up.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hall, please.

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President and members, thank you, Senator DeCamp. On Monday I made the comment that we were dealing with the wrong side of the ledger and I still believe that. Governor Kerrey gave us some tools. They are not the tools that I would have chosen. I'd equate that to being put out on a job site to the tools that he gave us, finish doing the trim work. Senator Hannibal here, I'm sure he would understand, instead of giving us a power miter and a coping saw, we've been given a chain saw to work with. I would prefer to have the power miter and the coping say myself. Tonight's World-Herald there is an article that reads on the front page, four-column headline, "Mrs. Orr Backs Call for Third Session." The subhead reads, "Supports raising income tax rate." Mrs. Orr said she supports Senator Vard Johnson's effort to call a third special session to raise the income tax rate to offset the impact of federal tax changes. "Vard tells me that is what is necessary. I want to pursue this," said Mrs. Orr. Rough translation of what Senator Chambers said is that the Legislature is getting jerked around, folks. We've got a lady who spent nine months running for Governor on the basis that she would not raise taxes. I'm not saying that she is not looking in the right direction this time, but if that information was true today, it was true five days ago and I think I question again today as I did Monday, the reasons for us being here.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp, do you wish to withdraw it?

SENATOR DECAMP: Yeah.