

SENATOR MAHONEY : Maybe I'm....

SENATOR CARPENTER: You may stop going over one of these days.

PRESIDENT: Gentlemen lets not forget that you can't transcribe a dialogue here on the floor. Please stick to question and answer.

SENATOR MAHONEY : Well I'm going to give his answer. There are emergencies and times when the Governor has to spend, and this is the chief executive. He should be allowed to spend over \$50,000. If you were the Chief Executive and somebody tried to tie your hands you would be jumping from the tower and you would be the first one to do it.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now getting back to the question, because you made the statement, if the Governor could rather....without authority of this body spend \$50,000 for a purchase. I want a single instance where he can do that.

SENATOR MAHONEY: In the present state government that we have.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Any place, anytime, any Governor.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Well I surely don't think that he should come back to these 49 Legislators and have us help decide that for him. We might as well have 50 Governors.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well you made the statement and I asked you to give me an illustration.

SENATOR MAHONEY : We did it and do it when we have conditions in your part of the state and emergency exists and Burl Johnson goes out there and if he needs a hundred thousand dollars, Carpenter you would like him to be the only one to sign it. Senator Carpenter you are the only one that would want him to sign it. You wouldn't want 50 other names on it.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Yes, but only after this body has appropriated that sum of money for the general purpose.

SENATOR MAHONEY : We are in the day and age of computers Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: You won't answer the question will you?

SENATOR MAHONEY : No, I answer all of your questions.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well you answer this so I can understand it.

SENATOR MAHONEY : I have been taught at your knees.

PRESIDENT: Next question.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now obviously Senator Mahoney is just trying to do the Governor a favor and I can understand it, I was doing the same thing at one time. But for reasons which are self evident I stopped. Now there is no place that I know in the area of a purchase or a contract excluding the area leafing where any other Governor where the money has been previously authorized for that specific or general purpose can he spend the money. Now all this amendment does is what? Obviously we are not experts in the field of computers. Neither is he, Neither is his staff, and that is the reason that he has these people from the council of government to come in and order to