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a good number of the members of the Appropriations Committee understand the problem in this area already and that we should probably proceed in the area of concrete legislation next year. We already have the information. We can call in the various agencies and get any additional information that we care to from them. They are well versed in each of their separate areas, and I don't think this is the proper place in the appropriations budget to be dictating something like this.

PRESIDENT: Are you all through discussing the Simpson amendment. And the question is...all right, Senator Simpson is now closing then..now wait a minute...Senator Cavanaugh your light is still on. I have to know when you are all through asking questions. Thank you. Senator Moylan are you all through asking questions? All right.. Senator Simpson is now closing. I wonder if I am getting through to you. He is now closing on his amendment. Senator Simpson has the floor.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President, I have looked extensively into this area, and I had decided originally to put some money in and start, probably a pilot program in one area. But finding that there are a large number of pilot programs within small specific areas of the state which have no coordination, I have talked to the people from all these agencies. One does not know what the next ones doing. All we're asking is to get together. We go over their programs and then come back in with something that will work for all the people. We are having duplications now, and they primarily asked that we should do this approach, and I think the proper place since we are talking about people who do not have proper help measures, that it should fall under the Department of Public Welfare to be the final and the guiding light. We are asking the others for the input into the Department of Public Welfare. Then they will be able to come back next year and say that yes, here are the programs that are really working, especially in the area of the meals on wheels, and the congregate meals, and it shall take so much money if you wish to put the program throughout the state. And this would be a portion through each of the areas so the programs could be started, and then continue on a cooperative effort. The Department of Public Welfare is as the others has an open Budget They can use their money in area they want to, which is just a lump sum, and so with this they have no problem. You might check the Department of Public Welfare and see how many employees they put on in the last year, and how many more they are wanting right now to do these things out in the field, we say coordinated.

PRESIDENT: The question is, do you want to adopt the Simpson amendment. If you do you will vote aye. If not, you will vote no. This motion is for the adoption of the Simpson amendment found on page 1319 of the journal. You are voting on the Simpson amendment to LB 1054 on General File.

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