

for the last four or five years, tell me, wasn't that bill actually held, and I think killed ultimately, strictly on the basis that what that bill was attempting was going to be done in 688? Just shake your head yes or no and I'm going to look. I know it was. I know it was. Now, Senator Warner, I think Senator Warner and the Appropriations Committee would have to tell you that money that these people normally were coming to the Appropriations Committee and would, in all likelihood, in all probability, maybe certainly have gotten, that money was deliberately not put in there because the money was coming out of 280A for the Community Mental Health. Now it would appear, listening to the conversation, that we're taking all the money out of 280A and putting it into Community Mental Health. That's not the truth. It's less than one-third. All the rest goes into the general fund, all the rest goes into the general fund. It's only less than a third, as I say. I just really think that Community Mental Health is probably in terms of lobbying power and everything else, maybe the single weakest entity down here. Even the mentally retarded have a stronger lobby than Community Mental Health. Do you know why? Because in most cases of mentally retarded they have a parents organization, the fathers and mothers of the children are able to organize something, put something together. Community Mental Health is really the only case where the individuals affected...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR DECAMP: ...has no ability to do anything. I think the Governor got bad advice vetoing the bill. I did a count, I did a count. There is about 12 to 15 to override the veto and with five or seven gone I know it's not going to happen, but I don't think this is the place to draw the line in the sand so to speak when you pick on the cripples, when you pick on the ones who have no ability to handle this issue. Yeah, it will get 12, 15 votes, but it shouldn't. It should get the 30. You were right in the first instance when you voted 43-0 to do this. That's when you were right and because a Republican Party or a Democrat Party says we're going to do thus and so on, this bill, that's not the right reason. At least if you vote against it, do it for the right reasons. Senator Warner is right. The Governor and Vard and Johnny DeCamp and the famous 14 whoever they were that met, we can all posture about how we're going to cut \$30 million.