

Appropriation Committee package. That is my motion.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hannibal, please.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Mr. Speaker and members, I rise to support the reconsideration motion of Senator Johnson. I hope that you will as well. There has been a lot of debate on several items, back and forth, as to which is the best way to go with this program. Obviously, being a member of the committee, we feel that our way is a defensible position. I'd like to have a chance to defend that position on all the programs. If you do vote to suspend these rules and bring this package up, we'll have ample opportunity to discuss the pros and cons of these issues, and then we'll have a chance to vote it up or down. After that happens, we can see what else you want to do. There have been some problems with one part of our package. I think it is only fair to tell you, at this point, that one part of the package is not a part of LB 722, that is why we are having some problems coming up with a good package that we can all agree upon, and that is dealing with the \$5 million reserve. That has to be handled in a separate bill. It will not be part of LB 722, as amended. If this amendment does come on, it will be an issue that will be dealt with, as well as possible across the board cuts, at a later time. At this time we are talking about an \$11 million package, it is dependent upon a couple of other bills, LB 31, LB 460. The funding parts are in this particular amendment. The bills will have to pass or fail on their own. I support the suspension of the rules. I hope that you will too.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, Senator Vard Johnson, three guesses on which way I'm going to vote...or speak. I'm going to speak against the suspension of the rules, as I always do. You'll probably vote to suspend them. Shows how wishy-washy the legislators are in here. A man goes from a highly principled position at one-forty-five and drops to the depth, to the very nadir, by five-sixteen. What an ally, straight into the jaws of death, or whatever it is, valley of...Senator Johnson looks at me and makes me lose my thought. But he knows what I am referring to. What you are going to do is knuckle under to all this talk of deals and agreements because you are tired. They do that, that is how