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SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I don't mind. No, I don't mind. Yes, I will.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Senator Wehrbein, the first year he asked for 110,000 for each of the top two programs and a hundred and...well, 100,000 each for the first two programs, then 145,000 for PEAP?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The following year he also asked more for PEAP than for each of the other two programs above.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, 205,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Could you read those?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...205, 205 and 300.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, I'm not going to mention the fact that the Governor is a Catholic, but he is, and he asked for more money for that church program for both years than he did for each of the two other programs. Does that tell you something and it lets you know why I fight against this? This whole thing is skewed to those church schools. The Governor is a person who will wear his religion on his sleeve when it is to his benefit. He will talk about antiabortion activities and even misuse the opportunity the Legislature gives him to address the Legislature at the beginning to talk about how he is against fetal cell research and his religion is why. You know what the hypocrite did? The hypocrite went to some young students and said, pray for those doctors who perform abortions or pray for somebody who deals with abortions. He didn't tell those children, and pray for our Governor who believes in the death penalty ardently, fervently. He didn't do that, but he is one who talks about religion. He might sign a proclamation for Prayer Day. He has signed proclamations for Jesus Day. So he wears his religion when it's convenient. That's why we don't need these church schools being