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also in respect to what are the real needs of the state of Nebraska. And I'm very proud of the Appropriations Committee because many of these items that they had to vote to not override were items that they felt truly were very, very important, not only to themselves but to their constituents and to the state of Nebraska. But they felt in the interest of coming together, and acting as a responsible body, that we came with these various cuts and, it's with great humility that we ask to override the Governor's veto, in certain respects. But we feel that for the "ongoingness" of the state agencies and the people that are, in many cases, the least able to support themselves, we have a responsibility to them, and I think that we have fulfilled that responsibility. I would ask you to please support the motion of the Appropriations Committee on the overrides. And I would yield the balance of my time to Senator Brown.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members, we are making some decisions that are very, very difficult. And I think that the Appropriations Committee has worked very hard to try to respond to a very clear message that was sent to them yesterday, that the cuts needed to be even more. And I appreciate that very much. I understand that when the Appropriations Committee puts together a package, all of us wish that something were in, some of us wish that something were out, but it's sort of like a jigsaw puzzle, you can't take out a piece or put in a piece without the whole puzzle falling apart. And, so, we've got to decide whether the cuts are enough as presented, and even if there's something not in there that you would like, even if there's something in there that you're...maybe wouldn't be on the...your top-ten list, you have to take the package as a whole. And I will be supporting that package, but I'm supporting it with the full knowledge that we are going to have to be doing a lot more in the future, and with the full knowledge that there are real people behind these numbers that are going to be impacted by those things that are left out of the package. The other thing that I would say, is that we have to remember that you can't bring home the bacon without first slaughtering your pet pig.