

were reluctant to work with him. Now I have handed you a sheet indicating the amount of money that was spent in this state on alcoholism last year. I would remind you that in three years that man has not come up with a program that would address the problem of our people who are learning to drink. We are spending six million dollars on a bunch of confirmed alcoholics, and I won't mention any names. But, I think that it is unforgivable that this Legislature should have wrestled as it has with Senator Kelly's bill in an attempt to do something. Yet those who are in control of six million dollars have done nothing. They don't even have a program for it. I mentioned this to Dr. Campbell, and I won't tell you what she said about him. But there is only one way that we are going to provoke, which apparently we must do, a program that will address those who are most in need, those who can best be served, a correction that can be made. That is to take away their dollars. When Junior misbehaves you take away his car. When we are spending this kind of money on our total program and have no program for our teenagers then I think that it is an unforgivable sin that we should continue to fund at the level we are funding these people who are so busily recruiting, dividing, and if you will remember last year it was Dr. Ford's letter that wrote to our Region IV and said either you spend the money or next year you won't get any. I say the best way to cure that problem is to withhold from that department some of these funds until they come up with a program that addresses what has to be the most important sector of our alcoholism problem. I ask you to support this motion, to remove these funds and until that problem comes up with a program that I think this Legislature should be advised of and possibly approve of, but to continue to simply throw money into a department that has no program for the most critical problem that that department is supposed to deal with, to me is unfortunate. I ask that you support this motion through this year, strike one million dollars from DPI from the administrative section of their division of alcoholism.

SENATOR CLARK: Chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I'm not qualified to say how much money we should spend on alcoholism in the state. I don't know how much it should be. I have been interested in this program for some time but I would suggest rather than cutting the budget, if there is a fallacy and those who are performing the duties as Senator Johnson suggested the other day, that perhaps you should change personnel, not change the whole system and I don't know if the people implementing these programs