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the operation and the cost of postsecondary education and I will tell you what the game plan is because the lobbyists have told me. Now the game plan, and I have been here long enough to see it used two or three other times and I can tell you it only works and it only works because there is turnover in this body so you make an agreement or you have all kinds of opportunity for input and then the makeup of the body changes and then you come back to those who were not involved before and say, well, golly, this is something new and we haven't had a chance to appear on. What is new to those members of the Legislature who were not here when all this started? In my opinion the position of the institutions of higher learning when it comes to providing information to this body is they want to keep the Legislature in the position as long as they can that all we're doing is shoveling smoke when it comes to information. Never allow information to be consistent. Never allow a trend to be established year in and year out as to what is occurring in postsecondary education. Always assume that what you got last year is yours and all you are going to argue about is the increase that might be requested for the following year and it is always a "no no" to go back and look how they are spending the funds that they already have had whether or not those funds are being properly used. Now the information system that they are objecting to was one that started with the interim study committee composed of senators, as I indicated in '76-'77. There were numerous public hearings in '77, '78, '79 which we talked about the kind of information. The kind of information that we are requesting is the information that members of this Legislature indicated in those years that they felt was appropriate and necessary in order to really review the request of postsecondary education. Now to my knowledge what is being objected to specifically now is that community colleges do not want to provide information by campus, at least a couple of areas do not. Other areas indicate they have no problem with it. I suspect the university doesn't want to provide information of any kind in the uniform format and I suspect the state colleges don't like it and they would be happy to join along with any resistance that can keep the Legislature from having the best possible information to make what is virtually impossible or at least most difficult decisions in the first place. The whole basis of that information system again was what legislators themselves felt they ought to have. All of you have been given information if you have been here any period of time by various systems, various of the three systems we have, making comparisons that were meaningless. PFE didn't mean the same, that the state colleges, that those universities,

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