

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have thirty seconds left.

SENATOR NICHOL: I can't hear what he is saying is my problem.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay. (Gavel.)

SENATOR NICHOL: Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The microphone volume is up as far as it will go, Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: I will get it from the record, thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator DeCamp and then Senator Chambers.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, I have a couple of questions of Senator Warner before the vote.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Warner.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Senator Warner, as I understand the resolution, number one, it is strictly a resolution and has no legally binding effect, such as a statute, on this Legislature and whatever we do on the budget bill is just that, whatever we do with the number of votes required, is that correct?

SENATOR WARNER: To be totally objective, Senator DeCamp, if a member of the Legislature anticipated voting for a higher budget than is contained in \$763 million, then I would think you would want to vote no on the resolution because I am sure that the press or the media would not be so naive or a candidate for office running against an incumbent would not be so naive that they wouldn't add up all the yes votes on a series of appropriation bills and compare that to how one voted on the resolution. So, you are correct that it is not legally binding but there is a degree of moral responsibility that each of us would have and I am sure that the media might call our attention to it should we violate that moral responsibility.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Yes, and second question, the target figure, \$763 million, is less than one percent more than the proposed figure of the Governor of \$758 million, is that correct then?

SENATOR WARNER: One of the good members of the Appropriations Committee, Senator Cope, tells me it is .7%.