

cervical cancer could be detected. Now what can happen very simply is this. If we have parts in our state that do not engage in solid public health work informing women to go into their physicians on an annual basis for the Pap smear, there will be some women who will have cervical cancer who will just not have it known to them, and when it is finally detected, it will be so far advanced that it can cause death. Cancer research money can be used in part for public health information purposes. If we put no money into that kind of function, we literally are consigning some citizens in our state to death by cancer and that is something neither you nor I should do. Now as Senator Cullan so aptly points out, \$1.2 million of the cigarette tax money was originally allocated to cancer research, public information and the like. The Governor vetoed \$800,000 of it.

PRESIDENT: One minute, Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Leaving only \$400,000. I think \$400,000 is good seed money to start the research grants coming in, to allow the Department of Health to sift the wheat from the chaff and to get the ball rolling. But if we eliminate the \$400,000, we literally have no new money coming in to even begin to cause basic type of research in our state for our people. I can guarantee you, as I will speak later during the day, that there are plenty of places where there will be basic expenditure overages, where we won't need to be expending as much money as in the budget. There are places where we will not be needing to spend as much money as in our present appropriation and those savings will manifest themselves during the rest of the year, and without any question, those savings will more than exceed the \$400,000 at issue here.

PRESIDENT: Time is up.

SENATOR VARD JOHNSON: I would ask you to support the Cullan amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: I stand to oppose the amendment. I would call your attention those savings are not yet arrived at so I don't think you had better spend savings that you don't have. Number two, I would remind you that the argument for overriding one of the other bills last session was to use the \$800,000 to fund that override and it was done. Secondly or thirdly, I understand no money has been spent at this point. I do want to say, and believe me, I understand the importance of cancer research, but with a little levity let