

now. Hope springs eternal that maybe we'll get there. But I think if we continue the way we are here next year, next April we're going to be sitting here in a hot box even worse. I won't mention all the things that would be facing people in the face next April but your minds are going to be on a lot of other things besides the long-term decisions facing this Legislature. So I think because this is a one-time effort, it seems to me to be reasonable to leave ourselves some room,...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: ..not only to do the things we want to do this year, but also to continue to do some important things yet next year. So I don't...I would urge you, don't just think about just this moment or just this year; project ahead a year. I think this bill is going to pass at some level, but we should leave ourselves some room to move and we haven't left ourselves one inch at this point. So I think we probably should not suspend the rules at this point and you ought to all kind of sit back and project yourselves ahead a year from now, next April, and say, where do I want to be next April? I suspect you aren't going to want to be where we're headed. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I rise to oppose Senator Chambers' reconsideration motion. The 85th day and we are here with a spending measure that totals, and I called it a spending measure, that totals \$98 million. When are we going to do it? I mean, what's a better time when we bracketed a bill until Friday, we are pushing everything off I guess until some point in time where we get like Ford and we have a better idea? I don't see that happening. I didn't see it happening three weeks ago. Didn't see it happen after we ran the gamut on LB 814 with regard to the capital construction and dealt with those issues, made decisions to basically keep those things in place. Didn't see it happen when we dealt with LB 813, both General and Select, where we added to the budget and did not remove. And I'm as guilty as everybody else in doing that. Didn't see it happening when we debated state aid issues today and yesterday. I don't see it happening between now and midnight on Wednesday next week. LB 84 is a bill that has scratched, kicked, clawed its way to final reading, and it's there right now because of a suspension of the rules. I don't think that that is a criminal way for it to get there. It has