

only use that so many times. I think, Senator Coordsen, I know we need to talk about it some more. If indeed what you're saying is true then what was said some time in the past is not true because at one point in time it was said if we did the amounts we've done to this point, that if we appropriated the money we've decided to appropriate, no services would be terminated. Now you use that argument one more time to get some more money and I want to give them money but I don't want to be boxed in a corner by people that are using those people one too many times. Now listen to the debate, make your own judgment, but don't let it be cloudeu by people that are using very innocent people to gain some money.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit, please. I don't see Senator Schmit at the moment. Senator Hannibal, would you like to continue? I don't see Senator Hannibal. Okay. Senator Warner, you're next in case nobody shows. Senator Hannibal.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Thank you, Mr. President and members, I thought Senator Schmit was going to be speaking. I rise again to talk about this amendment by Senator Coordsen and I'm going to echo some of the things that Senator Moore said until he gets to the conclusion when he said he's going to support this because I'm not. Senator Coordsen said, I thought, as Senator Moore asked and it's been clarified, that he said the services are going to be in jeopardy. Well that's...that's the very question that we asked and not only on this issue, but we ask on all kinds of issues in the Appropriations Committee. What is necessary? What has to be done? What can they get along with? What can't they get along with? The only region, really, that had a deficit that came before us was Region V as you all well know. And Region V, for whatever the reasons, and we talked briefly yesterday, I do not want to point fingers as to who is at fault, but for whatever reasons Region V had a higher client count than an increase in clients than any other region and it could have been a very legitimate misunderstanding between the Department of Public Institutions and the region, although Region V was the only one that seemed to move in this...in that direction. But Region V said they needed \$1,295,000. Now how we came up with this amendment that we have in the committee amendment right now was starting with that need, \$1,295,000, that's what Region V said they had to have before they could say we're not going to terminate services for anybody. What we did was fashion a proposal that gave them that \$1,295,000 and the way we did that is we, and I'm going to pass out some