

telling people. I'm trying not to hold out any hope for next year. I don't know that '92 is going to be any better. And so I know that we have a big problem in trying to fund everybody's request. But I can't see why this would be a foregone conclusion if this passes that we have to fund all the rest of them. I don't believe that and I wouldn't go along with that. But, as I understand it, and I've talked to some other people aside from the auditor, because I don't understand everything I know about computers. But the one thing I do know is that the Wang, those ancient Wangs they have do not interface with the rest of the system. And it does seem to me that we are at the point, if we expect from the auditor's office the things that we do expect, and this is no reflection on his predecessor, we demanded of the predecessor offices, over the years, that they make do with nothing, with very little equipment and so on, because when we look at state government, we don't want it to spend any money. And elected officials are under the gun, whereas the agencies are not, because the agency heads don't put their names on the ballot, the auditor does. And when you come along and try to...one of the things we are so free...one of the things we like to say during campaigns is that state offices, state government, any kind of government should be run like a business. And then when somebody tries to run it like a business, we slap that person down. So I'm going to vote for this amendment. I think you should at least give it a good look, because if we need to...if the amendment passes and we need to do something to be sure that it's not used for performance audits, because of our upcoming study, and because of Senator Schimek's bill and all of those elements, that's fine with me. But at the moment I think we should look at this with an objective eye as to whether or not we want the auditor's office to sit there without the equipment that that office needs. I'll vote for the amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR MORRISSEY PRESIDING

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Our next speaker is Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Mr. President, members of the body, Senator Crosby, you took the words right out of my mouth when you suggested that we ought to run it like a business. That had occurred to me, too, this morning in this discussion. There is another little saying that sometimes you have to spend money to make money. And in a sense, I think that's what we're talking