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Vice Chairman now or Alexander Hague, I'm in control, exact opposite, that if in fact, whoever is going to be Chair, the responsibility was in the summer to work and work hard so that the budget is going to be ready to go and the committee can be ready to go and the Chairman understands what is happening, and I've tried to keep you informed at the same time. And many of you, particularly new members, may be frustrated because the numbers always change. That's the nature of the budgetary process. But the budgetary process must be open. We must communicate exactly what we in the Appropriations Committee are doing and it's really quite simple. In the beginning we will be getting together and trying to look at the Governor's budget and we will say, for the most part we're not going to do a lot of things. And whenever we say we're not going to do it, does that mean it's not going to be in the budget? No, no, no, no. What that means is we're telling the agencies that are proposing certain things, we don't think we're going to do it yet, would you come in and tell us why we should do so. And then we have our agency hearings. They come in and tell us why we should do that which we said we were not yet ready to do. We will then look at everything again and then we will put in what we feel we need to and we add it up, and nine times out of ten we put more in than we can afford and we begin again to cut back. Eventually we come out with a budget that we present to you. The final process is making sure that when that budget comes out each and every member understands as best that we can do what is in the budget, what decisions were made and why, and to be open to ideas and suggestions on the floor because nothing is ever perfect, always changes can be made. And I'll vow right now to be open, as fair as I can and I will also say to people of the district, sometimes as Chairperson your role changes and instead of being a senator who is doing everything possible for the district, as Chairperson you do have the responsibility of the state and sometimes that may mean that your district suffers because of that. I understand that, I hope my constituents do, but I'll still obviously work as hard as I can. I thank you very much and would appreciate your vote for Chairperson of the Appropriations Committee.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. The Chair recognizes Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Madam President and members of the body, I'd like to place my name, Roger Wehrbein, in nomination for the Chairmanship of the Appropriations Committee. I don't know