

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But the Governor establishes those guidelines and if the guidelines include the right of the Governor to make these recommendations, the commission cannot strike that provision, can they?

SENATOR ENGEL: Well the commission I'm certain doesn't have any more power than the Governor.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: They what?

SENATOR ENGEL: I'm certain the commission doesn't have any more power than the Governor, but they serve as advisory capacity is my understanding.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But if this statute gives the Governor the power to establish guidelines, that means the Governor can put in the guidelines that the Governor can recommend projects, doesn't it?

SENATOR ENGEL: You just told me that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then let me ask Senator Brashear. Senator Brashear, will you work with me? Oh, he's not here. Let me without asking questions say it. And again, like I say, I can see where this bill is going, but I want you all to be well embarrassed and I found out more people watch us than I thought. The Governor will set the guidelines and the Governor puts in the guidelines that the Governor can make recommendations. Then we get over here to page 4, the Governor has the authority to give the final approval for all projects, so the Governor recommends the projects he or she wants. Then the Governor approves them. Anybody on this bill show me where the Governor's decision can be overridden and show me in this bill which says that the Governor cannot put into the guidelines what I just said. You all are so trusting. Let me ask a question of the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee. Senator Wehrbein, I have never had a checking account in my life so I've got to ask you a question or two for the purpose of an analogy.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Wehrbein, have you ever had a checking account?