

I don't know if that is just something that Senator Bernard-Stevens is suggesting, but I am not sure at this point I am ready to make the sort of cut that Senator Bernard-Stevens is talking about, but at some point, this \$6 million is going to loom rather large out there as we are trying to scramble for every dollar we can, and I am going to guess it's going to get reduced, but, although if he wants to do it now, I am not so sure that this is the time to do it. But, again, I primarily wanted to indicate my appreciation to Senator Engel, who worked hard to try and achieve some consensus on this, and I think he did a good job with the amendments that is being offered.

**SPEAKER WITHEM:** Senator Robinson, on the Bernard-Stevens amendment. Senator Beutler, on the Bernard-Stevens amendment.

**SENATOR BEUTLER:** Senator Withem, and members of the Legislature, I, too, would like to thank Senator Engel for making a tremendous effort to get disparate views together and I think that to a large measure he has succeeded. I wanted to ask Senator Wehrbein to remind us of where we are in the appropriations process, and when certain information is going to get to us. I should remember after all these years, but it seems to change a little bit from time to time, and I guess I am beginning now, at this point in the session, as I watch some of these bills go by, I am beginning to be concerned about how big a pile of money we do have to spend on A bills, how much we are increasing expenditures in existing agencies, and I know that that's information that will come from the Appropriations Committee shortly, but it is very hard to deal with these kinds of bills now, and we are getting to the point where I am hesitant to deal with them until I see what the big picture is. Could you, maybe, update us or at least update me, if I haven't been listening properly, or update us all if we haven't gotten quite to that point yet, as to when we will get the pink sheet or purple sheet or whatever color it is this year that starts telling us...

**SENATOR WEHRBEIN:** We haven't decided yet.

**SENATOR BEUTLER:** Oh, okay, how many A bills are up there on General File, and how many A bills are on Select File, and how much money is involved in each one, and how much money we have to spend. Could you tell us what you know on that at this point?