

follows to speak to the motion to indefinitely postpone, Senator Abboud, Coordsen, Chambers, Wesely, Wehrbein, Brown and Brashear. Senator Abboud, on the motion to indefinitely postpone.

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes, Senator Hall, members, I'll yield my time to Senator Chambers if he'd like to speak.

SENATOR HALL: Senator Chambers, you're recognized.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, before I talk directly on this issue, I want to mention something that has been in the newspapers. Mr. Sokoloff, is that the gentleman who said how much fat there is in milk? He said there's as much fat in a glass of milk as in how many strips of bacon, was it.., no, it was more than three, nine. Since there is as much fat, and, Senator Schrock, you're going to like this, since there's as much fat in one glass of milk as in nine strips of bacon, I'm going back to eating bacon and I'm going to give up the milk. How about that? There are two ways to look at these things and bacon is far more tasty. But at any rate, here's why I'm going to vote to kill this bill and I'm going to take the motion to a vote. I don't feel that the executive branch has dealt with the Legislature in a way that is totally frank, straightforward and forthcoming. I'm not going to use words like dishonest. I won't use that word because I'm trying to persuade you to go along with this motion. This situation that exists with these temporaries would never have reached the point it did, it has, if the Governor had not brought forth this sham notion of a hiring freeze. In these articles that I was looking at, I saw where the Department of Roads has \$8 million in contracts, \$8 million for 105 contracts to hire three to four hundred private engineers to help his 105 engineers do their work and he says that's not to get around a hiring freeze. Now if you're going to hire more temporaries than the total number of people you have working in that capacity, you're going to tell me that's not to get around a hiring freeze? And the head of the Department of Roads indicated that with the increase in road construction they're expecting, by 1997 those contracts will go up to \$17 million. I'd like to ask Senator Wehrbein a question about that if I may.

SENATOR HALL: Senator Wehrbein, would you respond, please.