

for one purpose, and 20 million in another, unless you know how to divide 5 loaves and 3 fishes to feed 10,000 people?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Is that a "raditary"...rhetorical question?

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Thank you, Senator Chambers. Before we move to the next speaker, I would like to introduce a special guest of Senator Beutler under the south balcony, Josef Goepfel, who is a member of the Bavarian Parliament. He is a member of the Christian Social Party, and he happens to be the Chairman of their Middle Franconian District Caucus. With him is Gabriele Minter, his interpreter, and Doug Duey who is from the Mayor's Committee on International Friendship. Would all three of you please rise and be recognized by the Legislature. Thank you very much for joining us here today. Senator Bernard-Stevens, your light is next.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. And I appreciate Senator Bohlke's comments. I don't remember ever stating that that's how she was going to vote. I talked about the Bromm-Bohlke amendment. She apparently felt I was talking personally to her, and that's fine. We each interpret our own actions and speak accordingly. The old adage "if the shoe fits, I guess, we will wear it," or "me thinketh you protest too much" type of thing, but those are battles, and I appreciated her comments that we will talk about the policy. In regards that this was simply a maneuver, she knows better than that. The amendment that I had, basically, was what you, the Legislature, have said the last couple of weeks, and we are going to call everybody on that, and what the Legislature has said is that they don't want to spend more money. Senator Avery wanted to cut things out of the budget, didn't happen, and I didn't support most of those cuts that he wanted. But we have all said we want to have a balanced budget. What will happen if we are not careful is that in the policy discussion there is going to be mixed in there, and, Senator Bohlke, if you are listening, I have had members tell me personally on this floor, that one of the reasons they are supporting LB 742, the Bohlke-Bromm amendment, is because they want the \$6 million to be spent elsewhere. That's their bottom line, and what my...I've tried to meet, I met with...tried to talk to Senator Bohlke the other day and said we should have a meeting of people and it hasn't happened yet, so when you can't have the meetings, you've got to make the point somehow, and the point I am making is we will have a policy discussion, but after that policy