

dealt with the budget over a number of months and I believe that it is a good first effort if you will. I think that there are a few other items that ought to be addressed. Hopefully we'll get to those yet this morning if we can vote these measures up or down and adopt the package first and then move on to a few other items that are filed below. With that, again in a technical sense, I rise in opposition to Senator Chambers' amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Question.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. Question before the body now then is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Debate is ceased. Senator Chambers, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, one thing I want to make clear, I don't need anybody's permission to do what I'm doing and I'm going to do it. And people on the Appropriations Committee can get their favorite programs in when they're dealing with it to put the package together and I intend to offer these similar motions to discuss each one and if nobody wants to discuss it, makes me no difference, I'm going to do it. And on this one so that it's clear how the amendment is drafted, it would omit from the Appropriations Committee all of the items except the Textbook Loan Program. That would mean if my amendment is adopted the only thing left in the Appropriations Committee motion would be that which is labeled Section 41 to restore recommended increase in the Textbook Loan Program. I say again, this is an easy override item to support and it's ironic that I am the one who always will say that in a political setting like the Legislature everything we do is political, everything. And people can talk about the nobility of a program any way they want to, but political decisions were made in putting this together. The FFA and the 4-H can hardly, in my opinion, be placed at the same level as the need for additional probation officers, for additional money for Voc Rehab, for additional money for the Domestic Violence Program. When we make certain statements on