

we know what happens at the end of every session when things get very, very tight with reference to what we're going to spend money for. Never is there enough money for everything that people would like to see funded. Such being the case, it is not wise, in my opinion, to throw away three million, five hundred and some thousand dollars, as was done yesterday, by adopting the amendment to put some Quonset huts out on the penitentiary grounds, and just hope that by doing that, every thing is going to smooth out and be all right.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Because I think this issue probably has been adequately discussed, nobody else seems to have any problems with it, I am not going to speak again. Wait a minute, my light is on, I do have a couple of things more I'd like to say.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Chambers, your light is next, followed by Senator Wickersham and Wehrbein.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, I want to applaud Senator Wickersham and the work that his committee did and Senator Wehrbein for being quick to correct the situation in the way that was done. I still see the problem that existed, that brought us to this, as something very serious, and not just in this instance, but when we're dealing with other boards and operations of state government where errors, however they come into being, can occur and have a substantial fiscal impact. The Legislature in reality, as complex as government is becoming, has an almost impossible task of conducting adequate oversight. Sometimes the only way a problem can be known is if somebody brings it to our attention because there was a negative impact on them. But I'm appreciative of the fact that once the problem did surface that Senator Wickersham and those of his staff, and whoever else worked with him to see that the road was smoothed out, did so. I noticed in this morning's paper that there is a \$6.7 million problem because that's money that should have been paid over to the political subdivisions for roads, which instead had been spent by the state, and the head of the Roads Department went after the Auditor, saying that he's spending all this time checking on what other employees and agencies of government are doing, yet he missed this when he was auditing the State Department of Roads. Probably he's spending so much time on the senators telephone bills, trying to find out what