

anyway. But the people who were volunteered came and served on that task force without getting any compensation and this methodology would not have been used after the fact to give that task force some money because it's presided over by a female senator and what she's handling couldn't be too important because it's in the hands of a woman so why should you give any money? And certainly you're not going to come back and through the appropriations bill cut corners and give some money. The Executive Board gave them the money first last year over my objection and the argument always is you don't want to mistreat these people, but that same concern is not shown by others of our constituents who have a greater claim on us than these people on this commission have.

SENATOR COORDSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: This is an inappropriate way to spend this money. This is an inappropriate expenditure. And, to steal a line from Senator Wickersham, I'm not an odds maker but I'd lay almost any odds that we will not short-circuit the process or cut corners to fund any other activity in this manner, only the good old white men.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. Well, I wasn't going to speak on this and I have mixed emotions about what everybody else has been saying. As a member of the Exec Board, I was there the day that we voted to appoint the three members from our Executive Board and so I did take it very serious, Senator Chambers. I didn't take this very lightly. I did not know that we were going to have the makeup that we had and, of course, at that time, and I still have mixed emotions about this, probably because on my desk today I had an invitation to Women In...Women's History Day or some...Women In Government. Women's History Month is in the month of March and they're having a big a celebration in my hometown and I'm thinking, you know, this is really, it's nice, I've been to it many times and I'm thinking we never have a Men In History Day and we never have, you know, when men do something we don't have a Commission on the Status of Men or anything so, Senator Chambers, I guess I'm always used to everything being the good old guy, you know, the men, men things, so I really didn't think too much of it at the time. I was pleased with the three