

going to do other things when it comes to your pet programs. The Governor has already told you, and I disagree with him 100 percent, how you shouldn't be spending all this money and he's going to take this red pen and mark lines all through that bill you send over there to him. Then you're going to be too cowardly to stand up for what you spent all this time yapping and beating your gums about, yammering. That's all it is--yapping. And he will beat you down and you know it. You're not going to override his vetoes. You whistle when you go by the cemetery to try to overcome the fear that you have, then when all of you are whistling in unity you feel brave and you put these things in the bill. Then, when the Governor slaps you down, then you run like a covey of quails. But what I'm talking about now is a wrong that you are doing and I say it's wrong based not on my standard but based on yours. You set up the measuring rod that I am using to condemn you with. I listened to you the other day and I watched you and your votes went up on the board and told me what it is that you believe or what you profess to believe. Then we come back today and, in my naivete, I expect you to stand beside that measuring rod and engage in the kind of conduct that squares with the standard you set the other day. But, no, you didn't want to create a crisis the other day that would force the Legislature to be more responsible and prudent, but that's what you want to make the political subdivisions do. And why can you make them do it? Because you have the position of control. Whatever you write on these bills that become law will control the political subdivisions. So you flex...

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SENATOR CHAMBERS: ..your muscles. You puff and you blow. You bully and you feel powerful and potent, but you're like the Wizard of Oz--just a big old head up there on the screen with a lot of smoke and mirrors and noise and no substance whatsoever; like puffed wheat--a lot of air and no nutritional value. This is a good motion that I'm offering. It offers the possibility, young Senator Hilgert, of redemption. You can redeem yourselves. No matter how far you've proceeded down the wrong road, it's never too late to turn around, and I'm saying come home, Little Sheba, come back, Little Sheba.