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mechanisms and what other ways do we measure limiting expenditures. And I would suggest to you that I think it's short-sighted to just look at the year before. I think that you need to look at a five-year average, and then, with that five-year average, say we want to reduce that number. One percent isn't magic, but it certainly is one that a number of other states have used successfully. If you look at that over the long-term five-year averages, you're going to see somewhere in the neighborhood of between 4.5, 3.9, 3.5. We've had growth as great as 9 percent. Why? That was a good year, there was a 97 percent increase in farm income from the previous year. So you want to stay away from those individual high and low years. And I'd suggest and, Senator Coordsen, I don't know how much time you gave to me, and I'm going to yield my time back, Senator Coordsen. I've got my light on. Who went next?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Coordsen, would you like to yield to Senator Wehrbein? Senator Wehrbein, you have about three minutes left, two and a half minutes. Senator Wehrbein. Senator Coordsen, would you like the balance of your time?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Did you...did he want to ask me a question?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Kristensen. Senator Kristensen, you're recognized on your own time.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I want to continue on a little bit. I would hope this morning, and we have some short period of time here, and I'm not going to take my full five minutes, because I think there are some other people that want to visit this morning. This resolution gives us an opportunity. I think the Appropriations Committee is asking, what should we do? What target do we want to send? My message would be, I think you're better off doing an average of personal income, instead of looking at last year's growth alone. I think the percentage, whatever you do, be realistic with that percentage because you're going to set yourself up to fail. At the same time the Appropriations Committee, this is a rare offering from what I see has happened in the past, that the Appropriations Committee actually has come forward and says we want your input; now is the time to do that. And my only fear comes in that at the end