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SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...through reallocation. So,...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time. Thank you, Senator Brashear. Further debate? Senator Dwite Pedersen.

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: I would give my time to Senator Brashear.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Brashear.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Thank you, Senator Dwite Pedersen. Mr. President, members of the body, so in attempting to wrap my arms around this, I look at the fact that they can move and reallocate. And, Senator Wehrbein, if you'd now yield and join me in this colloquy, I want to check some things with you. We are appropriating, if we adopt this bill LB 1217, we're appropriating \$3 million and \$3 million in the two years, pursuant to a request, but we have no control over how that money will be spent, do we?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: (Microphone malfunction) have control to quite an extent over the General Fund allocation, which is about a third of their budget.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: I understand, that's \$387 million. Is that correct?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: But, if they decided that this rescue effort, for instance, for health insurance could be accomplished with the \$2 million in each year that the Governor recommended, they could then reallocate the extra million that the Appropriations Committee decided to add to the Governor's recommendation for each year, they could reallocate that to something else, under Exon v. Board of Regents, couldn't they?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: One of the things that concerns me, and I