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whatever, but let's don't kill that bill that we put in there for our citizens in good faith. Remember that word good faith. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Byars, on the motion to return.

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you, Mr. President and colleagues. You know, we do have a very definite process in this body and I want everybody to sit back and think for a moment back to the first week in January. Think back to the effort that you put in to introduce bills that were extremely important to you and to your constituency. Many, if not most, of those bills had A bills or needed appropriations to fund them. You were asked to go through the process. The bill was referred by the Exec Board, the Reference Committee, to a committee, a Standing Committee, one of which was the Appropriations Committee. That committee heard testimony relative to your...what you felt was very good legislation and the reason why this body should appropriate money to fund that legislation. And many, if not most, of you had that committee, at least some of your bills, turned down those bills saying we've looked at how much money we have to spend this year, and we don't have enough money to fund that. We have to make priorities and one of the priorities we're not going to make is the legislation that you have introduced. Now we find ourselves on the fifty-eighth day with most of us who are placed in that position not being able to compete. There may be some bills who are sitting who have been vetoed by the Governor who have an opportunity to be overridden. Maybe this money could help in that regard. I would be sympathetic to those people who want to do that. But where are the rest of us allowed to compete? We can't reach back to those bills the Appropriations Committee didn't move out. We can't reach back to the Health Committee, to the other committees who maybe held our bills or killed them because there wasn't enough money in the process. And now all of a sudden we have nearly \$3 million to spend, but the rest of us aren't allowed to compete. There is something inherently unfair about that. And I think we need to think about that very, very carefully before we approve this amendment. We can't all bring our bills up here at the last minute, have 300 bills that we bring to the floor and compete for this money. I don't think it's a fair process at this