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out how much of the revenue hole we're going to be able to fill with the number of different proposals out there. And I also need to continue to repeat this key point to the body. Again, Senator Landis called for a record vote this morning on our salaries. I think that is an absolute...that is going to be something that we're going to be able to look back on the session and say we did our work, we did it diligently. The Appropriations Committee gave us a 249-sheet booklet that myself and my staff went through and we said, why did they do what they do; do we agree with it or not? I mean, how can you discount the 249 pages? How can you discount the 400 and some pages that are in this book either? There are ideas in each one of these. There are ideas coming out of each committee in this body. What I'm proposing under AM1763, they're not my ideas. With the exception of the one piece that Senator Wehrbein talked about with the Property Tax Administrator, that is probably the only specific thing that I have added to this budget that didn't already be...that wasn't already discussed before one of the major committees in our legislative body. So my thought is, is trying to head off the pass here, trying to prevent the logjam and trying to come to some type of middle ground before we absolutely run into bigger problems down the road where we're putting our backs against the wall. So I wanted to rise again and inform the body of that. This is not...these numbers are not my numbers. They're my arrangement of the numbers that was presented. The committee has 249 pages; line by line here's what it does. I agree with some; I don't agree with some. The Governor's numbers are here. I agree with some of those; I don't agree with some of them.

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR ERDMAN: I mean there is a balancing act here. Then the other side of this is, well, how do we balance what we believe is responsible with what we believe the citizens of the state can afford? So there is that balancing act. The other thing that I'll tell you is, if you don't like a number, I'm open for discussion. I'm open for alternatives. I'm open for compromise. I'm open for a way that we can look at this session and say that we incorporated the best ideas from the committees as they presented themselves and we can go home and tell the