

BOB GUTTMAN

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When the Budget Conference broke up for dinner, I went out for dinner, I went out for a sandwich and ran into Bob.

I regaled him with the tense moment that just recurred in Budget Committee-- the most tense moment I've seen since I got here. The forceful Tower speech, the challenge by PD of Metz. "I don't think the Sen. has the proxies. That's not a proxy. He doesn't have a proxy" etc.

Bob moved from that to discuss what a pain Metz. is and how the Weicker vote came because of the way Dan approached Weicker. "There were a lot of positive things going for us--he wanted something for the summer, it didn't mean all that much to him. There was nothing in it that could hurt him, he needs to vote with the Republicans once in a while--even with all those things, I'm told that the way Dan did it had a lot to do with it. People who know Weicker say that on matters that are not of special interest to him he's very amenable to the personal approach. Dan went to his office. A nice young man, very deferential to Weicker."

He said House wants to move first so that they will have some leverage against a Quayle-Kennedy bill which would sweep if it passed Senate.

Hawkins and Perkins don't like these governors. So they don't like gov. provision. But Bradley's election (prospective) may soften up Hawkins so that he won't oppose intensely.

*Bob
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