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Harold Niver, dressed as Sherlock Holmes, examines an item from his collection of Holmes memorabilia in the

study of his home at 29 Woodhaven Road in Rocky Hill. (Story and other photo—Page 12).

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O'Neill's \$5.6 billion budget bars t

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HARTFORD — Gov. William A. O'Neill says it would be "irresponsible" to propose state tax cuts that would increase the tax burden of local governments.

He made that comment during a press conference at the State Capitol several hours before he was to formally recommend a \$5.6 billion 1987-88 state budget to the General Assembly.

Reacting to Republican criticism that there isn't enough tax cuts in his proposal, O'Neill said "it would be irresponsible to play to the public by talking about massive tax cuts and throw it on the backs of the local governments."

He said the federal government did that to state govern-

ments and he won't do Connecticut's municipal governments.

O'Neill said he does not expect the legislature to pass any major changes in the budget by the time it adjourns in late May. "I expect" the legislature's first couple of days of June session "will be very close" to his recommendation, he said.

But he noted there were those in the legislature

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