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SPEAKER: Yes.

SENATOR MARVEL: ...with your permission. Senator Warner, can you respond to Senator Carstens because it originally was your motion.

SENATOR WARNER: Yes. The motion didn't...as I understood Senator Stull's motion we would not pass any bill on Final Reading that would appropriate funds. I was aware that there is no bill presently before us dealing with capital construction, so I didn't say the bill but a bill reappropriating would be an exclusion from Senator Stull's motion because it is obviously necessary that this is done. Now, Senator Carstens shares the same concern. Senator Carsten, I ask...I'd be very willing to join with you in making the request as of now to our staff to draft the necessary legislation to reappropriate those capital construction funds for projects or for contracts which are presently let. Would that, would.. Senator Carstens, would you be in agreement with that?

SENATOR CARSTENS: Yes, why don't you included that in your motion? Can you do that?

SENATOR WARNER: Well, I think that...

SPEAKER: The chair would observe we might be a little far afield there. I think that could go forward independently, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Ya, I see Eldon there. If he is listening, on behalf of Senator Carstens and myself I request the staff to draft a bill to reappropriate those construction.. capital construction funds to which projects, or contracts are let.

SPEAKER: The chair suggests we dispose of the pending motion first.

SENATOR WARNER: I agree. Just taking this opportunity to make the request, but, again, ..well, there may be more discussion on the motion. I will wait for closing.

SPEAKER: Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Mr. President and members of the body, there are a number of buildings that are in trouble if we don't adopt the Warner amendment. For example, Kearney Classroom office...Classroom Administration building; Wayne Applied Arts building; School for the Deaf dormitory; Beatrice, food service facility; Veterans Home in Grand Island; Love Library to name just a few of them. Eldon tells me, for example, that his group and the Governor's group have been working together to put a reappropriation bill together. However, they have not introduced the bill. They have not got the job done yet. 256, however, is the capital improvements budget which the Governor had requested our speaker introduce and I would like to quote from the Governor's speech of yesterday. It says, "My recommendations to you this year were for \$18 million dollars and this is for capital improvement". The Governor indicated that he did not ask us to bypass capital improvement budget, capital improvements bill, in other words. It's absolutely essential that we not only adopt the Warner amendment to the Stull motion but I would even suggest that we go one step further and consider the capital improvements budget bill, which is LB 256. And I really...since the Governor has already introduced it. It's part of the Governor's recommendation. I don't see how we can do anything else but go ahead and consider that just like we