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PRESIDENT: While Senator Marvel is getting that amendment together back there, the chair would like to introduce 60 8th Grade students from Wahoo Junior High School, Wahoo, Nebraska. There are 4 adults up there and their instructor is Mr. C. J. Tilman. They are seated in the south balcony and Senator Schmit, those are from your area I believe. Anyway we are pleased that you came down to visit the Unicameral Legislature today. We hope you enjoy your visit to the Capitol city and also to this very unique body. I might add that they started to work this morning at 8 o'clock and worked till noon. Recessed until 1:00 and they have been back here since then. It's a full day of heavy General File debate. You can follow the number of the bill that's on..being debated at the particular time. Right now we just opened up debate on LB 582 and we have some Committee amendments that Senator Marvel's Appropriations Committee here is apparently putting together the presentation of.

SENATOR MARVEL: OK. I'm ready.

PRESIDENT: All right. Senator Marvel.

SENATOR MARVEL: 582. The Committee amendment..I make the motion that the Committee amendments be adopted. Then I will explain them.

PRESIDENT: Thank you.

SENATOR MARVEL: This has to do strictly with the manner in which the increases in 582 that the Governor recommended over his original amendments, where the funding takes place, and if you will turn to Page 4, Section 2 on Lines 8 and 9 you will find that \$82,599 is subtracted from the mental health program and if you will take Page 5, Section 3, lines 6 and 7, you will find that they take \$158,570 from Public Assistance. The Committee Amendments strike these two sources of income and, in effect, if you approve this, then the money will come from the General Fund. We feel on an area such as this that we are going to have deficiencies. We ought to face them clearly instead of trying to take it from some other programs like Mental Health and Public Assistance. So that's the purpose of the Committee amendments and I renew..I renew the motion to adopt the Committee amendments and the second part of it has to do with the putting on of the emergency clause which was left off. So I move the Committee amendments to 582 be adopted.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members, I would like to support these two amendments. Now this is the.. these are the two amendments that the fiscal..the Governor's fiscal analyst said that this is the one they decided on by slight of hand.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: (Mike off) budget was submitted by the Governor.

PRESIDENT: Senator Marvel, do you care to respond?

SENATOR MARVEL: 582?

SENATOR CARPENTER: Yes sir.

SENATOR CARPENTER: And in the amendments in which he indicated prior to this one, what was the amount that was in those four amendments, I recall. What was the dollars