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have a surplus of \$200,000 plus thousand dollars, is that correct?

SENATOR CARSTEN: No, I don't think that is correct Senator Duis, because the intent of the State College Board is to increase their expenditures this year to pick up that deferred work that they let go last year. I think that it is only to fulfill what we need to do to bring it up with that which we left off.

SENATOR DUIS: This is exactly the point that I am trying to get to Senator Carsten. This next fiscal year they will spend \$600,000 plus for maintenance and repair. Now that is the statement that I think that we need.

SENATOR CARSTEN: No, I think that you are wrong Senator Duis. We are going to spend that in addition to the \$210 that we deleted last year.

SENATOR DUIS: All for maintenance and repair. In other words you are going to spend \$800 and some thousand?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes.

SENATOR DUIS: For maintenance and repair.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes.

SENATOR DUIS: That is what the question is see?

PRESIDENT: Senator Carsten, would you like to close debate on this matter?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes, and it won't be lengthy. I do think that as I said before that the State College Board has been extremely, even beyond the call of duty in cooperating with state government in keeping their expenditures to a minimum and they have suffered in so doing. It does take an amount of money to keep things in repair and keep it at a level that is sufficient to operate those institutions. I do not believe that they will spend their money foolishly and as far as following up Senator Schmit, I certainly will and if need be we do have the provision for a performance audit, and if it becomes necessary for us to go to that length to find out what they spend their money for and how much, I'm certainly in cooperation in finding that out. I really believe that they will do the job and I hope that you can support this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of Senator Carsten's amendment to LB984. Record your vote. Have you all voted? Please vote. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 9 nays and 15 not voting.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Next amendment is offered by Senator Savage as follows (read amendment).