

SENATOR COPE: Yes.

SENATOR DWORAK: Into the study?

SENATOR COPE: Yes.

SENATOR DWORAK: But only one educational institution?

SENATOR COPE: The Department of Education, the FSU units, Emergency Medical.

SENATOR DWORAK: Okay, thank you, Senator Cope. I opposed this bill when it went across the floor. I still oppose the bill and I support the Governor's veto. I think it is the old stick-with-the-carrot-on-the-end game. It is an innocuous \$54,000. But what is the \$54,000 going to buy or now as I understand it, it is \$44,000. The introducers of the bill told you what it is going to cost to do what they want to do. It is going to cost \$404,000 the first year and \$216,000 the second year or a total of \$620,000. If we are going to get the job done with this bill, with this safety center, with this concept, the price tag is \$620,000. Now whether we just delay spending the \$620,000 just to get sucked into this thing, that is another thing, but we keep lamenting the fact that we have got all this government. We keep lamenting the fact that we have all these agencies. We keep lamenting the fact that we have all this bureaucracy but over and over again we keep, even in a small beginning, start another one and in here the figures are in your bill book. I would suggest you go to the original fiscal statement of LB 79. That is what it is going to cost. Now whether we fund it this year or next year or three years or four years or five years, it is going to cost \$620,000. That is what it is going to cost. Now we have a Nebraska Safety Council. We are doing a good job. We have got a good record of safety in this state. Now, Senator Cope, himself, has admitted that there is not any tangible evidence at all that we are going to save one dollar with this new center. There is not any tangible evidence at all that we are going to save one life with this center. The only thing we know for sure, the only thing for sure is that it is going to cost us \$44,000 the first year and no more than \$54,000 the second year. We are going to put in a hundred and some thousand dollars into a program that we know that if the program itself is worthwhile is going to cost \$620,000. That is what it is going to cost. That is what they are telling it is going to cost. In other states that have similar concepts, that is the kind of funding it takes. So I think, we talk about sunset bills, we talk about performance audits, we talk about all these different games to save money, but let's not kid ourselves, if we pass this bill with the override of the Governor, we are just embarking on another program and it is a program that is going to cost money down the road. If we were going to put it in full-fledged as they initially wanted to do, the price tag is in the bill book. There is nobody kidding anybody. Now I have just one more question to ask Senator Cope.

SENATOR COPE: Yes.

SENATOR DWORAK: How is the \$54,000 going to be spent or is it \$44,000 the first year, first, correct my figures?