

Again, there was the reduction of general fund monies for utilities for the Student Union as I pointed out in the case of Lincoln, and then there is the National Guard funds which are equally applied across the board. In the case of the University of Nebraska Medical Center again it's a continuation budget. The increases that the Committee approved over that continuation budget, again there's \$43,000 of this cash funds that were used as a temporary funding last year which was picked up with general fund money, the National Guard impact, and again the transfer of the computer network. The last item in the bill is the Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, and that is pure and simple a continuation budget carrying them at the same staff level and approximately the same cost. We did attempt to maximize again because this agency does administer some federal funds. We did attempt to maximize the use of those benefit funds as far as personnel and operating costs, and for that reason the same as the Governor were able to keep their costs considerably below, general fund cost considerably below the agency's request. That, Mr. President, completes a brief explanation of the contents of LB 587. I would be glad to respond to questions.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Pat, do we have an amendment now?

CLERK: I have several.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, why don't you read the first amendment? The Clerk will read the first amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Newell moves to amend LB 587. The amendment, Mr. President, is on Page 1385 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes, Mr. President and members of the body, this is an amendment to LB 587. The amendment would basically strike from the University's budget \$460,764. Basically the money would come from all three campuses. I can provide a breakdown...\$200,000 from the main campus, \$160,000 from the Ag Institute, \$81,000 from UNO and \$43,000 from the Med Center. The proposal here is based on what I think was an improper utilization of funds last year when the University used some two million dollars of cash funds to supplement, to provide for University professors... remember this is professors only, an additional 1.5 percent increase for faculty personnel. They also used additional