

little bit. I don't know what Senator Schellpeper or anybody else has to fear. We're talking about \$300,000 in an institution where they're spending at least \$70 million to educate these folks. What we want to do is to try to keep people in the state. Wouldn't it make sense to any of you if we really were serious about that that we would expect something more back from the people that graduate who receive \$100,000 subsidy for going to medical school. With Senator Schellpeper's bill we expect the small communities who will apparently benefit from this program to pay back the loans. It's not a bad idea. Sounds like even a good idea. But it's so interesting to me that we should worry so much about such an insignificant amount of money that could be shared with the institutions that do so much for this state. It appears to be almost selfish. I guess what concerns me more than anything else is that this is obviously a very germane amendment. It would be much better in 505. It really is not the same as the RHOP proposals contained in Senator Schellpeper's bill at all and I hate to even talk about it publicly I guess because I don't want to discourage the private institutions any more than they probably already are. But why do we get so hung up on such an insignificant amount of money being shared for a purpose of simply training and providing people in the rural communities. Now it's my intention to withdraw this amendment, but then I thought about it and I said, well, it's an amendment to an amendment. You folks who have all been here for a while on General File, and in case there would be a simple majority who would support it, it could become part of the bill and then we could fix it on Select File by amending it again. So just to be kind of hard-nosed about it, to be completely frank, because I feel so seriously and honestly that this is not only appropriate and it's germane, but it's long overdue and most necessary that I don't think I'll withdraw it. We can always offer something again on Select File. But I hope you wouldn't oppose it, you wouldn't oppose it because you think this might hurt the concept and the effort of getting people into the rural areas to practice. Just think about this. If you said to these people who going through medical school that they would have to pay back 50 percent or \$50,000 of the \$100,000 the taxpayers of Nebraska give them to go to their schools, or teach or work in rural communities, that would really be an incentive, wouldn't it? But we're not suggesting that. So those people that come in here from California that go to the University of Nebraska Medical Center...