

you change the rules that in the future if you weren't completed by then, if you contract...sure, you could have signed a contract, you could have the whole plan approved, but they knew every given year they had to come back and ask for that money as it was completed. That's...that's fine, but they always knew there was a possibility that the appropriation wouldn't be there. You've subsequently made the decision that the appropriation is not going to be there in LB 13 and I guess I see no reason...I mean, I can sleep fine at night with Senator Janssen's amendment because I think that was work that was completed, it simply hadn't been paid for. Senator Hartnett is trying to expand that significantly. What's the total dollar amount that Bellevue would think they would be eligible for under this amendment?

SENATOR HARTNETT: I think, Senator Moore, from the fiscal note of 597, I think the fiscal note was eight hundred ninety-six thousand something dollars. I think Senator Janssen's bill has 300,000 basically, so this would open a window for about \$595,000.

SENATOR MOORE: And a significant amount of that would be Bellevue, I think.

SENATOR HARTNETT: I don't...I think that's right. (Laughter.)

SENATOR MOORE: Okay, Senator Hartnett. Well, I rise to oppose Senator Hartnett's amendment. I think with Senator Janssen's amendment you satisfy the intent that we laid out in LB 13 if the work was completed, that's fine. Though knowing full well that even the 300,000 dollar fiscal note in Senator Janssen's bill may be a problem, I guess I...had we known that at the time, we would have funded it, but we didn't know it. I am supportive of LB 597 but on Final Reading with that money I may not vote for it. But I think Senator Hartnett's amendment would open up a box that's worth at least a half million dollars and maybe even more than that. And I think it's unnecessary. I think we've more than fully satisfied the intent of LB 13 with Senator Janssen's bill and Senator Hartnett's amendment would take it a step up much further than it had to.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I will not be voting for this amendment. This was an amendment that was