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to clarify that there are provisions what are not covered by the 7% limitation and in amendment 2, we will take the two at the same time, the same purpose of amendment 1. What that does is state, and I will read you what the Legislature is intending to do by this bill if you will listen. The Legislature hereby finds and declares that it will serve the best interest of the people of Nebraska to provide limitations on the allowable annual increase permitted in certain portions of the continuation budget requirement of the political subdivisions of the State of Nebraska, funded by some of the taxes. This is going to mean that there is going to be a limitation on the budgets of the people of the State of Nebraska, the subdivisions of government. I would move that we accept that amendment. If we don't accept that one then we do not have a clear intention of what we are trying to do. That will... If there is any opposition I will try to answer the questions.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Simon. Pardon, Senator Lewis?

SENATOR LEWIS: I would like to divide the amendments.

PRESIDENT: All right. I think they will be. I think there will be a question on dividing it when we vote on it.

SENATOR SIMON: We are discussing all these amendments?

PRESIDENT: We are discussing all of them right now.

SENATOR KEYES: Is there any way we can take them up...? I move we take them up one at a time.

PRESIDENT: You are requesting that the amendments be divided?

SENATOR KEYES: The amendments be divided, yes.

PRESIDENT: Yes, there is no need to motion. I can rule that we will divide them and vote one by one, however, on the discussion, it is going to be very difficult to discuss them one by one.

SENATOR KEYES: We will take the first two and we will discuss them.

SENATOR SIMON: You do it your way. I am going to discuss all of them, Orval.