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submit to you when you add another sixty or sixty-five faculty members to that institution, you are going to talk about a cost annually that is going to be rather excessive.

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

SPEAKER MARVEL: One minute.

SENATOR KOCH: And yet when we look at other faculty members of the university system and various colleges, we often say we can't afford to pay any more and so they go elsewhere. If you are going to get quality staff for your vet college, you are going to have to compete. You are going to have to compete for big dollars of salary because they are not about to leave the Iowa States, the Kansas States, the other places where we have vet colleges, twenty-four in this nation, to come here for an average salary. If you are going to give this college credibility and you are going to hope that it turns out the finest products, then you are going to have to go to people power and that is not going to come easily. If we enter into the new compact that we passed here recently, West Virginia has a new vet college. It is going up right now. It is in place. We can send students there, and I am certain that if this Legislature would sit down with the educational leadership of other states and talk about reciprocal programs that we could make some pretty good terms on number of seats available for students in this state.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Your time is up.

SENATOR KOCH: Now about fifty percent of the students who go to these other places will probably come back to Nebraska and serve, the other fifty percent will stay someplace else. I submit to you that this is not the right answer for a question that we have and are being considered today. I oppose the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Haberman, then Senator Kahle.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, fellow colleagues, legislators, may I ask Senator Schmit some questions please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I yield.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Schmit, I have some problems with this bill and I think if you can answer these questions for me it might help. Does the bill as it is written have any state funds in it?