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can't do a little readjusting also. So I think it's about time we start somewhere. After some of the explosions we heard in the paper that's went on at some of the University meetings, I wonder how much handle they have on this expenditure. So I rise in supporting Murphy's amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, the nine member Appropriation Committee has worked long months on this budget. We have cut, we have cut, we have cut. I realize that not every member of this body has had the privilege of sitting in with us, but some of you have come in from time to time. Some of you know the hard work that we have expended trying to bring in what we consider a reasonable budget within preset guidelines, because the guidelines, Senator Merz, were set before the dollars were set, and Senator Kelly, the reason...one of the reasons I'm trying to say that I am so violently opposed to this amendment is because you cannot compare one way to take dollars out against the thoughtful day after day consideration and cutting, which has already been done by the Appropriations Committee. I stand opposed to the amendment, and I hope the thoughtful, thinking concerned persons in this body will also vote red on this amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Before we continue the debate, it's my pleasure to introduce two groups in the south balcony. The first group is from Senator Kahle's district, twenty-one 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th graders from Riverton, Nebraska. Miss Jeanette Lamb is the teacher. Will you hold up your hands so we can see where you are? Okay. Also in the south balcony, twenty-six 8th grade students from East Catholic Elementary School, St. Helena, Nebraska. Sister Margaret Sybil is the teacher, and where are you located? We welcome both groups. Underneath the north balcony it's my privilege to introduce a friend of Senator and Mrs. Lamb from Lincoln, Nebraska, Miss Mariel Jones. Will you please stand so we can say hello to you? I would remind everybody we're on a two hour schedule. Now I'll introduce Senator Nichol. Senator Nichol, and then Senator Wesely, and then Senator Fowler.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman I'd just like to ask Senator Merz a question, please, and I'll make mine very short.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Merz. Senator Merz.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Merz...yes, he's coming. Senator