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would be 104 fulltime employees for a cost of \$995,000 for 1980-'81 and the total of \$1,368,023. Now that would...on your amendment to LB 184A that was placed on your desk, that will be from the General Fund \$660,023 for the first year, and \$708 from the institutional....\$708,000 from the institutional cash fund. The section on number 5 is for '81-'82 and that would be the General Fund, \$837,555. Now that is for a 180 veterans. The cash fund, which includes the social security, veterans and the per diem would be \$983,216. Senator Wesely mentioned the cost of keeping them now in the nursing homes. Right now we are paying...the county is putting in about 18 percent, state 25 percent, which is a total of 43 percent. In the veterans' home the funding is estimated to be 21.74 percent state fund and 78.26 cash fund which includes the federal fund. Mr. Phillips also indicated that the first and second floors of the annex would house in the level one and level two care categories. We also have to understand that when they are in the vet's home they have the eye care, the dental care, the therapist there that they need. When they are in a nursing home, they are sent out to doctors, to eye care, to dentists and that is all an additional cost to the county if there is no funds available from the veteran himself. In the veterans' home all that care will be provided in the level one and two care. Now the second sheet attached to your amendment gives the cost for 1980-'81 and as I said before it is \$1,368,023, but the total cash fund revenue will be \$708,000, so the state cost would be \$660,023. As far as renovation, I think on the one sheet that we got to you the last time we had the fiscal note it was a little over \$200,000 which would not necessarily have to be now because as Senator Fitzgerald stated, all of the fire code and the Department of Health have passed that building one hundred percent. Just recently the kitchen was remodeled to all stainless steel. I have a call in to Mr. Schoettger now from Douglas County and there may be available to us at the same agreement of a dollar per year for some of the equipment that is going to be left there, and for instance the bedroom furniture, the chest of drawers, the beds. It would be impossible for them to use all of the equipment. As far as the kitchen, the stoves and sinks and everything will stay there. They are installed. The only thing they may possibly take from the kitchen are the utensils. If there are any questions I would be glad to answer it on the change in the fiscal note, but it is considerably lower than the one that was originally put in the book and I urge passage of LB 184A amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator DeCamp, your light is on, do you wish to speak? The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor

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