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on starting to pick them up one at a time as they drop them. I would have to oppose Senator Koch's motion.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is again one of these issues that were not specifically discussed within the Appropriations Committee because what we did fund was the agency's request and as I understand it, Senator Koch, the federal funds used to...they had a division between I think it was 80 - 20% division between...if it was an eighth grade diploma or certificate or twelfth grade certificate and it used to be that the funds that were not needed for eighth grade certificate could flow, federal funds could flow over into the high school and the federal funds apparently do not permit that. The federal formula does not permit that any longer and that is one of the reasons at least that they are short of funds from past sources for this program. Since it is not an issue that was before us as such, I can only state that the policy that the committee had was funding the department's request and that is what we have done.

PRESIDENT: Seeing no further speakers, Senator Koch, you may close on your motion to amend.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Warner is correct and I think I stated that in my first point was the federal funds, there are constraints being placed upon them that were not there previous. Today it says 80% of the money we get from the federals. They are not dropping the money. They are just saying this is a new direction that you are going to use this money for those adults who have less than a ninth grade education in terms of its completion. The remaining 20% will go for those adults who have a ninth grade education or more. This then places the serious financial problems upon the public schools of this state and the tech colleges because they also carry on some of this adult basic and continuing education and it is delivered to those systems based upon the number of people that they have on site on campus, whether it is high school or a community college or whether it is correspondence courses and the figures are here and they are accurate. The fact that we are seeing a considerable number of Nebraskans who are wishing to complete that general equivalency diploma and this is necessary many times for jobs. If you listen to Job Opportunities on KFAB like I do frequently you will note and almost without exception there must be at least a high