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The only other thing I would mention for your consideration that this is a pickup of lapsed federal funds as I understand it. We are going to have a whole host of these over the next year I suspect as programs are eliminated or funding programs are eliminated at the federal level and I am sure that we are going to have to be selective, very selective about those that we can justify picking up and those that we do not because there is no way under the sun that we are going to be able to pick up all the lapsed, all of the discontinued funding of federal mandated programs in some cases or federal programs that have been available but were not mandated and this one doesn't necessarily fall into the class of the balancing of the budget at the federal level because the LEAA funds have been disappearing in any event or being reduced and no doubt will be eliminated. But I would caution the body to keep in mind that there will be many requests for picking up previous federal funds as the federal government moves toward what they portray to be a balanced budget.

PRESIDENT: Before we get to the next speaker the Chair would take this opportunity to introduce a guest of Senator Barrett. Under the North balcony we have Mr. Ray Winz from Holdrege. Would Mr. Winz stand up and be recognized. Welcome to the Legislature, Mr. Winz. Yes, Mr. Winz, welcome. The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Mr. President, I do support the amendment. I am living up to a commitment I made and I think Senator Hefner and a group of us worked on it for about six months. The Crime Commission of this state agreed to pick up this program one more year with the understanding, because the Legislature wasn't in session, that we would address it this year with respect to the Santee Reservation. I had thought absolutely without doubt that the particular bill in Judiciary Committee, I had the amendment in there. It was my understanding it was coming out. Apparently as Senator Chambers correctly pointed out, he had some disagreements because it was expanded to include Gordon and things like that. Senator Hefner has a unique situation there. Reservation property, you know, isn't on the tax roles. Therefore, it does not generate any money to pay for the police and this is about the only way to address that specific and unique problem. Now we can talk about, well we have county sheriffs, so on and so forth. Historically it has proved better to utilize this particular system. It is an expenditure I realize. I think the thing on balance shows that this solves a lot more problems than somewhat in the \$80,000 or whatever amount it is here is well justified. I do urge you to support