

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Warner, it seems to me, and I would only ask you not even knowing your answer, being very fearful of your answer, it would seem to me that when you are reviewing all the rest of the University's appropriations and the relative cost of higher education in the state, which is in fact quite substantial, that this bill might best be looked at in the total scheme of things and that Appropriations might be the best place. Do you agree?

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Newell, I don't know what the practice of the committee will be this year, historically at least in the last four years we did try to retain in the vicinity of one percent of the total appropriation to be available for A bills and floor amendments, recognizing that there should be funds available. This year I think we are in the peculiar position or the unique position that based upon funds available we will be hard pressed to allow as much as one percent which would be in the vicinity of \$6 1/2 to \$7 million, and we may well have to think in terms of something less than that. I am trying to avoid answering your question, if it doesn't appear that way. I do not object having it come to Appropriations. Very frankly, I guess I am willing to live with it wherever it goes, but I would be inclined to agree with those who suggest that either Education or Appropriations are probably more appropriate, and I say that only because when I looked at the reference sheet for today, 254 relating to schools requiring health instruction education, I thought at first maybe that should be referred to Public Health and Welfare rather than Education, and if that is the concept that we want to use, I can live with that one too. I think there are other similar ones.....

SPEAKER MARVEL: Your time is up. Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, my intent in bringing this issue to the floor was not to indict the members of this body, their integrity and their fairness. My name was used a moment ago by Senator Schmit as one who influenced Senator Lewis to direct LB 357 to the Education Committee and I want the record to read very clearly I had no influence on that decision. I have never attempted to influence the reference of a bill before it came to a committee and I was somewhat surprised yesterday when I heard that the veterinary college was referenced to the Ag Committee. Senator Schmit talks about ten years that it has been before the Ag Committee. I have been in this body, this is my seventh year and last year to my knowledge is the first year that we have had a major