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Federal surplus property that's available to the political subdivisions of the state and also to non-profit tax exempt organizations in the state. The State of Nebraska turns around and distributes property to different nonprofit basically health and education associations in the state. There are about 975 of them that are eligible organizations and 400 of them or so are participating on a regular basis. The organizations that receive the property are charged with the overhead costs of distributing the property and the distribution is basically regulated by the General Services Administration of the federal government. Now, out of all this property that's coming from the federal government, far less than 10 percent of it and the best estimate I can get is that 4 or 5 percent of it is military property. The one and only argument I have ever heard for switching it to the Military Department is that some small portion of the property is military property, and I think it was stated on the floor that a large percentage of it was military property, which is according to our Fiscal Office, at least, not at all correct. The property consists of office equipment, office machines, hand tools...to give you an idea of some of or most of the people who are basically using this property, the ten biggest users have been the University of Nebraska, the Mount Michael School at Elkhorn, Beatrice Public School, City of Omaha, Douglas County, units such as this. Now that program has been with the Roads Department. The only logic that I could determine from talking to people as to why it was in the Roads Department was that the Roads Department afforded transportation on a cheap basis to this program for hauling these goods and materials from central locations in Kansas City, federal locations in Kansas City out to the different units, nonprofit corporations that use the materials, and they could provide maintenance and repair on the vehicles and charge the program about \$14 an hour. Now that maintenance and repair cost, if it's switched over to the Military Department, is going to be more expensive because they don't have their own facilities for doing that, and in turn it will mean that the administration costs that are charged back to the nonprofit corporations will increase accordingly. That is the disadvantage for switching it to the Military Department. I could see no advantages for switching it to the Military Department. What I am suggesting, that the real home for this activity should be DAD Materials Division. First of all, these are the people that have expertise with regard to the acquisition and obtaining of materials and supplies. They do most of the requisitioning for the government.

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