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was operating funds for that agency, not their aid money but their operating fund of the \$160,000 of total General Funds they had, and that leaves the 110 that apparently is trying to be replaced. That \$50,000 that we did add represented a 63 percent in General Fund support for the agency over the previous year. And so I would hope that while I am like everyone else, I can have a lot of sympathy for the agency in this position, but I think the realism is that you just cannot expect to be ricking them all up, and I would hope the body does not adopt the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Pirsch, do you wish the floor?

SENATOR PIRSCH: I'm sorry, Mr. Steaker, thank you. I can't let Senator Fowler's challenge go by. I approve of what is happening in Washington D.C., and I wish President Reagan and the Congress allspeed. I think they are on the right track and I think that we have to balance the budget as we have always done in the State of Nebraska. For too long they have overextended trying to be all things to all people. And I don't think that we in Nebraska have to be dependent on those federal funds. But we do need to get some priorities straight within our own state and our own state budget. And if we have to slash budgets, don't just let the fact that they have been getting federal funds make that decision for you. Let's look at each of these agencies and each of these commissions and each of these departments, and let the guide be effectiveness, the type of service, efficiency and cut out duplication and waste. Again, I support Senator Schmit's amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit, do you wish to close on your amendment?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I do appreciate all the help that we have on this amendment. In addition to that strange coalition that Senator Fowler has referred to, you have to add the Governor. And I think that adds a particular element to it which has not been brought into it before. I recognize fully the responsibility of the Appropriations Committee. I certainly did not intend to minimize their responsibility and their efforts. I admire them for their ability to put together this amount of money in a package and bring it out with some semblance of credibility. I think, however, that it has been pointed out by Cenator Chambers and several other members here, we speak on this floor here many times to the necessity for providing for adequate law enforcement. The Crime Commission has a very real role to play in this area. If, in fact, we do choose to reduce the funds for the

