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about, this 1.3 million. Without that we will have a rough time getting other states to sign with us and also to probably get the federal money. We have never done anything yet that really would establish that Nebraska is sincere about this, but talk about it. This would make a sincere effort by us that we are ernest and that is the reason we want this 1.3 unencumbered in the bill.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Senator Kahle, can't we demonstrate our ernestness by putting in section one that that 1.3 million we are appropriating is not going to be spent unless the 13 million is forthcoming? I mean, as I understand it, the co-sponsors have stated that that is the policy on the floor, so why don't we go ahead and put that in the bill as well. Because otherwise we have no guarantees that the University of Nebraska might go ahead and spend the money even in spite of what has been said here on the floor. I means, isn't that just as. . .

SENATOR KAHLE: Let me put it this way. Do you want those of us that are sponsoring the bill to sign a note for 1.3 million dollars to guarantee that that money....if that is what you want I think we can do it.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: What I would like you to do is consent to an amendment that would put that condition into the A bill because if you are stating the condition on the floor publicly, what is the difference in putting it in the A bill and having us state that in the A bill?

SENATOR KAHLE: There is a lot of difference because we don't know how fast the project is going to move. We don't know exactly what will happen with the federal money and things that we have in the bill and there is no reason to take it out. If you can't take our word for it you wouldn't be satisfied if it was in the bill.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Thank you Senator Kahle. I wonder if I could address a question to Senator Hefner. Senator Hefner would you yield for a question?

PRESIDENT: Senator Hefner, will you respond?

SENATOR HEFNER: Certainly, Mr. President.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Now Senator Hefner, is it also your intent as a co-sponsor that this 1.3 million dollars is not to be spent by the Board of Regents unless the 13 million dollars in federal funds is forthcoming?

