

would save according to their estimate represents \$57 million of construction. Now as I look in the budget proposed by the Governor, I see almost zero amount so one percent times that, when you take the exempted buildings, there is really no savings. But aside from that, I certainly concur with those who have so adequately stated that we are not talking about hanging pictures or any of those kinds of things for art. It is how the building is designed and there is very few instances in which people have a pleasing look at a structure that it doesn't do something more for you than just give you a pleasure. It also builds your morale. It has all been pointed out. I would hope that this bill would not be raised and that the Legislature would stay by its original judgment when it was enacted only two or three years ago.

SENATOR CLARK PRESIDING

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Schmit. Before Senator Schmit gets on I would like to announce we have ten eighth to twelfth grade students from Sidney, Nebraska, the great metropolis from the West. They have two teachers with them. One of them is Dick Osterday, who happens to be the Mayor of Sidney, Nebraska, and Paul Sheaman and they are all great friends of mine. Would you help us welcome these people to the Legislature. No disparaging remarks please. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Senator Clark, members of the Legislature, after having reviewed a number of the appropriation bills that have been introduced by that committee this year relative to the search and almost seizure of funds, in some instances, for new revenue, I guess I am somewhat concerned, I guess I am pleased to have Senator Warner stand up and defend this bill. I want to call your attention to the fact that we are now within the walls of one of the most beautiful buildings in the world, constructed during a time, at least, of great depression with some of the most beautiful artwork I think that we could ever ask for by persons perhaps far less sophisticated and educated than those of us who are here today and yet this structure was completed and completed in a very pleasing manner to all of us, one of which we are very proud. Time after time on this floor we have debated and I have remarked, I believe, that if the mood would prevail that I am always amazed we don't build a tin shed for the state office building of some kind in order to save money. So I like to see structures built and built to last and built to be pleasing but I don't think it is necessary, I think it must be considered an insult to the architects and to the designers and to the artists to have to place in the statute the requirement that