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three areas in which local county match is required, mental health, mental retardation, as well as alcohol and drug programs, and I think that to deal with those separately is probably not the best way to go, that the three of them need to be considered somewhat concurrently for any significant changes that might be made whether it be for reasons of more adequate programs or federal fund change or for that matter future impact on the state general fund. So I think it would be wise not to raise the bill at this time.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Kahle for closing.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker and members, I am kind of surprised at some of the comments that are made because we certainly didn't bring this bill in because of the new federalism. It is the same bill that was introduced last year before we even knew who our next president was going to be. This has been a problem we have had for considerable time and I think we are being foolish if we don't allow donations, fees...I might say a little bit about fees. When we started this program, and first I might tell you that I guess I have a great amount of experience in this field because I was in county government when these programs were all started and served not only on the citizens committee in my own area but the southcentral part of our third area and also served for a number of years at the state level as an advisory committee member of the State Department of Institutions. This certainly is not going to change or lower the part that counties are now paying. That is right in the bill. It is stated very clearly, they cannot lower what they are paying, and most of them realize they are going to have to raise it, especially if they are going to have to match any kind of funds. So, and I guess I am real disappointed in what Senator Cullan says because the Scottsbluff area, western panhandle of Nebraska, had the very best mental health program there was outside of Omaha and Lincoln and I think still does. They started early. We went out there to see what theirs was operated like when we started ours and I am sure we have never reached the level that they have in that area and that is the reason perhaps that some of the fees are low or the amount per capita is low that some of the counties are collecting because we do not have that service. We do not have the service at that level. We are still working on it. And I could talk on and on and on about this because I have a real keen interest myself and I know that this is going to be a tough issue to get passed in this Legislature in this particular year but we are going to face up to it sooner or later, and if you want to cripple the mental health