

tax at 17%, you should have 686.3. Then you take 13.5 corporate tax away from that which leaves you 672.8 million. Then you take the 7 million in cigarette tax, that gets you down to 665.8 million for a total of 76.5 million that would have to be cut from the tentative committee's budget of 742 before you could have a no tax of any kind increase. Now if you want to really devastate state government and local government because I can assure you that if you're going to make those kind of cuts you're going to make substantial cuts in aid programs as well. We'd have to follow the same course as the federal government where in order to reduce some of their costs to increase other budget items, have reduced the amount coming to local government, we would follow suit. So because of the numerous errors in the resolution as drafted, I would have to fully support Senator Koch's motion to repeal or to indefinitely postpone, in doing so make it clear that I certainly do support a figure no greater than the 742 that the Appropriations Committee is currently using.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Cullan. Senator Koch to close.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Chairman, members of the body, I agree with what Senator Warner says. I want to compliment the Appropriations Committee because I know they have spent long hours trying to help resolve this issue and the Revenue Committee as well. It is easy for us who sit on other committees that are not fully aware of the problems they are dealing with, to second guess, even though I don't concur with the limitation that are placed in our budget right now, there is probably not too many other alternatives because we made mistakes in the past. We can't correct them today. We can only correct in the future. When I see in this resolution that the University would receive no increases, that goes diametrically opposed to where I have stood since I have been here. The University is a system that needs to be nurtured, it needs to be helped and if we want to make it into the type of system that is going to help the boys and girls of Nebraska, then you don't penalize it punitively. I know that we talk about property tax relief and I'm as irritated about that as anyone in this body. I fought for property tax relief and a decent school aid bill since I've been here and I'll never stop but that is another issue for tomorrow. For Senator Haberman talking about his district who lost \$60,000 one system and another one gaining \$4 million, I'd like to know where that is. The only place that the schools are going to lose money will probably be in special education and those who have the greatest number of students in special education are the ones that are going to be penalized. They are going to be penalized over a million dollars at least and