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amendments. The first is Request 2730. The members will find it printed separately in your bill books.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Warner, on the amendment.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I move adoption of the amendment Request 2730. These amendments include revisions that the Governor reported to the committee of adjustments he wished to make to the bill as originally adopted. The other set of amendments I will take up next are some committee amendments which to my knowledge is not opposed by the Governor. In some cases it is wording verbage to clarify the purpose of some of the adjustments. If you look at the request in the green book, each of the proposed amendments has a purpose stated that explains generally what they are for, and if you like I can go through them quickly. The first amendment is an \$8500 general fund addition to the Secretary of State's office and it is to recognize additional operating costs as a result of LB 272 last session which was the filing of limited partnerships. The second one, the second amendment deals with the Department of Education and it is an increase in some cash funds and deletion of some general funds for the Professional Practice Commission and in addition it does appropriate \$2,142,687 of general fund money for special education deficit which fully reimburses under the law the school districts for that purpose. Then there is a \$20,000 additional cash fund authorization for the Department of Ag in their export marketing program. It has nothing to do with any of the arguments that you may have heard on this year's budget. The fourth one is to increase the general fund appropriation by \$100,000 for the chronic renal disease program and that reflects increased number of patients that require that treatment and assistance of the general fund should be adequate to fund the program through the balance of the year. The next amendment is one of \$19,630 for the Nebraska Workmen's Compensation Court and that is to allow the hiring of a substitute judge because one of them has been ill as perhaps most of you or all of you know. The next amendment is a \$97,000 increase to the general fund for the Department of Corrections to assist with additional cost as a result of increased prison population and included in that was some reductions in some of the other programs to assist in that funding as well. There is also a \$75,000 authorization for prison industries to purchase equipment...tooling and equipment for some of the production that is done out there, but the cash fund will be reimbursed from the revolving fund prior to June 30th, 1985, as the products that are made from this equipment are sold. Then there is an adjustment in the cash fund authority for