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it that is fine but now a little bit ago you supported a million and a half relative to the \$70 million. The effect of the motion now was to make the \$70 million... \$70,187,500 because of the calculations as I understood it described in 816. So I guess I would ask that if in fact you want to make this increase that at least maybe even the whole increase ought to come out of that \$4 million in 816, or most certainly the \$187,500 without question ought to become a part of that \$4 million of LB 816. I recognize the body wants to make the increase and I accept that but I hope you would accept as well that we do not further deteriorate what funds we have for state operations by the amount of the \$187,500 at least, and obviously I would prefer it all, so I would offer the motion to, or I would support the motion to reconsider that that concept could be looked at.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: I would like to ask Senator Koch a question.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Koch.

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Koch, you explained earlier the reason for the change in the funds. The addition comes from a miscalculation of the effect, isn't that correct?

SENATOR KOCH: Yes.

SENATOR NEWELL: Could you explain it? Why don't you just briefly take some of my time and explain what the problem is in relationship to the funding?

SENATOR KOCH: Well, the problem is in the Appropriations Committee, the bill, when the Appropriations Committee considered the tech colleges they decreased their amount by \$150,000. It is my understanding that they were supposed to receive 3.75 increase in their aid and so that is why we are requesting \$150,000 from the general. Now then when we get into the business of the \$70 million that goes back to community colleges like other subdivisions, the county treasurers show that the technical community colleges were losing \$187,000 under 816. So that was the total effect of the amendment, the total effect of the amendment came through in \$237,073 which we just adopted by 27 votes.

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Warner, your motion now does what then?

SENATOR WARNER: Well, the motion was to reconsider this one and, Senator, what I am attempting to do because the body