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everybody is tired. There are six mental retardation regions. Scottsbluff is one of the main regions...one of the regions and they got a plus .32 percent increase in their budget. McCook, which is my area, got a minus .12 percent increase in their budget. Hastings got 11.60 percent increase. The Wayne area got a 14.63 percent increase.

SENATOR NICHOL: Excuse me, Senator Haberman, just a minute, there is a question. Senator Dworak, for what reason do you arise?

SENATOR DWORAK: I would like to know the topic of the debate. I would like to know what the amendment is before it is debated.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Clerk, is it in the Journal?

SENATOR DWORAK: I would like to have the amendment read, please.

SENATOR NICHOL: Where is the amendment, Senator Haberman?

SENATOR HABERMAN: You've got it.

SENATOR NICHOL: Okav, the Clerk will read the amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Haberman's amendment would read as follows: (Read the Haberman amendment as found on page 1602 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR NICHOL: Okay, Senator Haberman, continue please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: If you will all look at your passouts, I just bassed it out, that explains it, what I am doing is we need \$28,000 to keep a mental retardation center open in Chase and Dundy Counties. It doesn't add any taxes or subtract any taxes. It doesn't take any money away from Omaha or Lincoln. It takes \$14,000 away from Region IV which has a fund balance of \$800,000, and it takes \$14,000 away from Region V which has a fund balance of \$1,128,523. So what it does, it shifts \$28,000 to Chase and Dundy Counties and if this is not done they will close the mental retardation center for those two counties and I ask that you vote to shift this small amount to keep that mental retardation center open. Thank you, Mr. President.

SEMATOR NICHOL: Senator Dworak's light is on. Are you.... SENATOR DWORAK: I have a question of Senator Haberman. SENATOR NICHOL: If Senator Haberman will respond.