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hurt the students and their studies, the professors? They can't. These issues were brought up by the fiscal office last fall as possible cuts. They had been proposed before. Nobody has picked up on them. Maybe nobody has the guts to stand up here and discuss the issue and be against some of these things except one, two or three of us. But I am sorry that we have to bring that into it and I am sorry that I maybe have this kind of a mind but just because the Appropriations Committee says this is what it is going to be, I don't have to live by that. I spent last week down here and this week going through the budget and my nickels and dimes amount to \$273,592. That is what it amounts to. So I can probably sense here on this floor that I am going to lose, but I had to bring it up and I had to say it. I think I am right. If every Senator here would find \$200,000 that they feel we could cut and we had to make those individual decisions, maybe we wouldn't have to have a tax raise, because quite frankly my people cannot stand a tax raise. I don't care how you put it to them, income tax, sales tax, any way you are going to do it, they cannot stand it, and they told me that they can't stand it. I would prefer to see the state employees keep their increase. I don't think they should be cut clear out. I am not down here to cut, cut, cut, cut, cut where things are important and where they are needed, but I don't think that a library about a foreign country...why didn't we pick Holland or Africa, why all of a sudden...why not let the State Department take care of this? Why should the University of Nebraska all of a sudden be deciding foreign policy? Boy, those Russians are going to hear about us deciding foreign policy and they are going to blow up the University of Omaha if it is that important. I hope the Russians don't find that out that it is so important up there, this library. I am going to talk to my daughter and tell her maybe she should move further away. The Alumni Association....

SENATOR LAMB: One minute, Senator.

SENATOR HABERMAN:this cost is for compiling and maintaining the records on all graduates that has nothing to do with grants, nothing to do with grants. It keeps them informed, from what I read of my research, here is the students, here is where they mail. They change their address, this is how you put them on the mailing list. It has nothing to do with education. So again I would like to ask you to support this cut. I am sure that they can find somewhere in their budget maybe following Senator Vicker's suggestion to save some of this \$273,592. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Haberman was closing, Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Senator Lamb, as a matter of personal privilege, he asked me whether it was more than just a library and then he didn't give me a chance to answer it, and as a matter of personal privilege I would like to respond because it is far more than a library.

SENATOR LAMB: The motion is the adoption of the Haberman amendment. Those in support vote yes. Those opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record vote has been requested. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

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