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again to any other government agency to use free of charge and yet I find the Office on Aging paying motels for meeting rooms. Now I ask you senators, is there anything wrong with an amendment to the budget and the reason it is on the budget bill is because if it is adopted, obviously it is going to save the state tax payers money by not having to pay to rent these private rooms. I wish I could tell you how much money has been expended this way, but the Office on Aging has not given me those figures on how many meetings they have had like that. I think all of you know that Marge Higgins is always a champion of the elderly. What I resent is the waste of money the Office on Aging going just to have a plush motel to hold a meeting in when it could just as well be held in a public building. I figure that this amendment will cut down on those expenses in the next fiscal years to come. If it does that, then perhaps that money can be used to truly benefit the elderly. This is the only reason I have offered that amendment to make sure that all of you senators know that all of these facilities are available in Omaha. I'm sure that Mayor Boosalis would probably make facilities available in the Lincoln Civic Center and their libraries, if they have them. I'm sure Senator Nichol's city of Scottsbluff probably has a City-County Building or a library. I wonder if there is any part of the state where we would not have a free public meeting place for state and government agencies to meet. So, I urge your adoption of this amendment in order to save money for future budgets, since it is already too late right now to recoup the loses that we have. Thank you.

SENATOR LAMB: Chair recognizes Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, I would ask for a ruling from the Chair as to whether number one, whether this is within the call; number two, if that is unsuccessful, whether that is germane to the bill.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Cullan, would you repeat your request. I heard the first part but I didn't hear the last.

SENATOR CULLAN: We will try it with the first part first. Is this within the subject of the Call?

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair sustains the point made by Senator Cullan that the amendment is not within the Call as provided us by the Governor. Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. President, I think I have made my point and any of you senators who are interested in saving the tax payers money I invite you to join me in cosponsoring a bill next January to do this. Thank you. I'm not challenging the Chair, I withdraw it.

SENATOR LAMB: Thank you Senator Higgins. The next amendment, Mr. Clerk.

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