

how would that work? I'd like to have the rest of my time after she completes that.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Yes, Senator Moore, thank you. This comes from the person who has been involved in directing this program up to now, Professor Don Miller at the university. I think, in a way, you could characterize this as release time. Up until now the university has been coordinating this program simply out of the resources of faculty that are there. This would pay for a one quarter time of Dr. Miller's salary, and it would also provide secretarial support in the Math Department. It's a fairly major undertaking to coordinate this kind of an effort. Wasn't too bad when we had 21 schools, but if we are going to go statewide, it will take a significant amount of his time. In addition to that, my impression is from visiting with Dr. Miller and the teachers, when they were meeting this summer, is that there is a good deal of networking going on here among teachers around the state and so it is a lot of work for a coordinator to pull this together. It is probably unreasonable to expect a full-time faculty member to do this just out of whatever spare time he or she might have.

SENATOR MOORE: Thank you, Senator Scofield. I really have no program with your bill. As a matter of fact, I like the premise that it is doing something for greater Nebraska. I just want to mention once again, you know, it's a constant burr under my saddle that in the \$200 million appropriation we give the university, to do anything in greater Nebraska they had to come in and ask for more money. I like the program, but \$9,000, I would think if it was a high enough priority, the university could find a way to do it but, obviously, that is not the case. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Haberman, please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Scofield, would you yield to some questions, please?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Scofield, would you respond?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Yes, I will.

SENATOR HABERMAN: This program was tried in 1988?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Yes, it was, Senator Haberman.