

SENATOR MOORE: Point of order.

PRESIDENT: Well, you are hardly the one to call that, because you've had your say. If the other side wants to call the question, I think that you shouldn't object. But, if you do, I'll recognize you.

SENATOR MOORE: You know, there has to be two sides of debate, and there was not two sides of debate on that one.

PRESIDENT: Well, I guess I learn something every day. Senator McFarland. You must talk.

SENATOR McFARLAND: Thank you, Mr. President. I'm enjoying speaking on this. I thought I heard Senator Moore say he just wanted this voted up or down. I was going to accommodate him, but apparently, apparently he wants to talk on on this. As it might not surprise you, I oppose the amendment. And I will oppose other amendments, unless I have a chance to look at them and review them before. I don't think this is appropriate, I think for some of the same reasons that the previous amendment was not appropriate. Believe it or not, good programs, if they are going to be good programs, are going to cost some money. This will cost \$80,000 the first year, I think we said that before. I think it is a very modest amount. If you look at the amount...that amount and compare it with other funding programs or other expenditures, I think you'll see it is almost insignificant. I think my...the Cornhusker Hotel, for example, they obtained over \$80,000 a year just in the money they received from foreign visitors who stay at the hotel in just one year. I am told that we had recently a 100 visitor delegation of people from all over Europe who visited Lincoln for purposes of looking at the Cushman Motor Plant. And they stayed here three days. My understanding is that they spent approximately \$250,000 in three days here in Lincoln, because they had dinners, they had lodging, they had all kinds of events, all kinds of gifts they brought with them. These are the type of things we need to promote. To mention a figure like 80,000 is rather insignificant and a very modest investment to promote these kind of exchanges, to promote the kind of good manners and activities that we should have as a state. Other states in this country do the same thing, believe it or not, they spend money to do it, and they do it efficiently. I'm a...my concern is that these type of amendments, trying to combine responsibilities of, for example, the Lieutenant Governor's