

SENATOR NELSON: All right. Senator Schellpeper, it's your amendment and I'm assuming after our meeting this morning...and we're trying to fine-tune our figures and I believe that we have come up with the correct amount of figures and we did reach a compromise on the bill. And I stand to be corrected then by Senator Schellpeper if I'm wrong. We are going to try to pattern this after the math and science program that's been in effect for five years, which then is a little different. My program, originally, was after they were in the program it was a payment after the fact. This would be a loan and the loan would be forgiven. It has been very, very difficult to establish need. After we established the need and the criteria on my amendment yesterday, it was pointed out and I had that reservation, I spoke on the unmet need and how you would do that and the problems. So we came to the conclusion this morning that Senator Warner's bill, LB 468, which states the criteria for need for all higher education scholarships and so on, and that is found in LB 468, page 4, lines 9 through 14, and I will read that. "Criteria for determining substantial financial need shall be established by the commission and may be defined in terms of income, expected family contribution or relative need. The commission", and that's the Coordinating Commission, "may consult with the Nebraska Association of Student Financial Aid administrators in determining such criteria." And I do have that also in front of me. This is that form and so on. So what we agreed to today is that, as I say, it will be patterned after the math and the science. Also, we increased the amount of the BSN students to \$1,000 a year. If you remember, I had it 500. We also limited that to 75 students. We will have to work on Select File unless Ken has that...no, all right, we will work on Select File how to determine that, whether it's 10 percent of the enrollment, so that we have a cap of the 75. But we have not had time to work on that. All right, that will be limited to 75 BSN students and 75 ADN or LPN students. We're thinking that after the LB 890 becomes in effect and we get more LPNs out there that we will have a better supply of those. So...and the rural incentives, we left them almost the same as in my bill excepting we also increased those for a BSN. The BSN rural incentives will be for the first year, \$1,000; the second year they serve, \$750, and this will be a loan "forgiveness" now, it will be after the math and science program, and the third year will be 500; the ADN 750 for the first year, the second year, 500, and the third year, 300; The LPN, 500, 300, 200. Assuming, for example, that the rural incentive part of it, assuming that