

SENATOR PETERSON: Well, I...I don't know just how many there are but if you look at the handout, Senator Hartnett, we did it several years ago with Metro in Omaha. We did it later to Central which is Hastings, and, most recently, I think Southeast at Lincoln and Beatrice. So we have been taking it kind of if it's needed and not just limited...opening it up.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Well, my point is that if we're going to do it, you know, if we're going to do it piecemeal, you know...

SENATOR PETERSON: Uh-huh.

SENATOR HARTNETT: ...and if there is going to be a need down the road for technical schools to grow, and so forth, maybe we should combine it into this bill just rather than doing it with, you know, one school.

SENATOR PETERSON: Well, we might...we could move the bill, if there's votes, move the bill over on Select and we can talk about it and see what Tom Johnson and those people think about that. But, at the moment, I think we should deal with this as it is.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Well, I don't have any problems with the bill as it is, you know, but I think if we're going to do, you know, something, we might as well put it in statute so other schools...other technical schools have some, you know, some flexibility in their budgeting process too, because they do have the right now if they go to the vote of the people, as I understand it. They could go to the vote of the people.

SENATOR PETERSON: Right. But...and different colleges might have different...we open it up to, say, on this one it's up to a 1,500,000, what it's going to take to build this building. The next college, we put it at a limit, we still might have to deal with that because it might cost them 2 million...

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yeah.

SENATOR PETERSON: ...for the next college...

SENATOR HARTNETT: Thank you.

SENATOR PETERSON: ...on a building.