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it is very difficult to contract higher education but I think the basis of your question is accurate, that we probably do have more institutions out there than a state our size can support.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you. I agree with you. I think it's, although very unpopular, it's something that we are going to have to face one of these days. With one and a half million people, we just have too many colleges to fund out there and we're going to have to face it one of these days. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schellpeper, have you finished? Yes, okay. Senator Korshoj, please, followed by Senator Warner.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: Mr. President and members, I would like to ask Ron a question. I'm sorry, I haven't heard the whole conversation because Senator Schmit and I was talking about racehorses and I got my mind in the wrong...

SENATOR WITHEM: I'm glad we have our priorities in the right spot, Senator Korshoj.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: That's right. Last year I was on the floor asking questions about this aid program. Is it to students or is it to higher, private against public?

SENATOR WITHEM: It is my understanding that is a program of aid to students.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: Well, that was what I thought last year but the response to me was not such as that. But it is to students?

SENATOR WITHEM: That is my understanding of the program, that it is aid to students.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: And that's the way it should be and, therefore, that's the way I would support the bill. And I'd say that's fine with me, I'll just pass at this time.

PRESIDENT: Okay, thank you. Senator Warner, please, followed by Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I only rose again to...because I may have used the word "institution" earlier, since several have referred to it later, and obviously the aid does go to the student, but the manner in which you determine eligibility for