

SENATOR WARNER: If the body is willing, it would be helpful if we could do all the senators, and then we can go back to any section that people want to do.

PRESIDENT: All right, we'll do it that way then. May I introduce some guests, please, in the north balcony of Senator Byars. We have 13 fourth graders from St. Joseph's School in Beatrice, Nebraska with their teacher. Would you folks please stand and be recognized by the Legislature. Thank you for visiting us today. Senator Wehrlein, please.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. President, members, I'm going to start on page 135 with Agency 11, Attorney General.

PRESIDENT: May I suggest to you committee members talking, if you do refer to a page it's helpful to the members that are following on. Thank you.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Right. Page 135. This briefly is the Attorney General's...it's a continuation funding budget. You notice there was in the dialogue there, we have decreased the funding for Deer Creek lawsuit by \$211,861 in '89-90; \$213,000 in '90-91. These adjustments reflect cost estimates for pursuing the suit prepared by the Department of Resource in the Attorney General's Office for the next two years. You can also read there about central data processing building which will be occupied. The Attorney General will then move from current offices in Nebraska State Education Association building to the Capitol tower. I will make another comment on Deer Creek for those of you that may not be current. Recently the special master denied Wyoming summary judgment motion. Parties then filed motions asking the special master to reconsider his decision. Parties have now completed filing pleadings supporting their position and the special master will rule on the reconsideration motions. Once this ruling is made, exceptions could be filed and issues appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court for judgment. In the interim it may be determined that discovery will commence on certain other issues. That will be one subject at a status conference with the special master on May 12. I also have a breakdown in more detail of the budget for the Deer Creek lawsuit, if you're interested in it in time and I will not go into it at this time unless there is questions and they also can be raised when we discuss the Attorney General's budget again later on. From there I'll move