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LB 164, 813

SENATOR CROSBY: Okay.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Some portion will go to keeping the castle open.

SENATOR CROSBY: But right now we're talking about \$50,000, today, this bill?

SENATOR ASHFORD: Correct.

SENATOR CROSBY: Okay. Why...why did the committee decide to go for this and not go for the original LB 164? Any particular reason? It seems...the reason I ask that question, it seems to me that Joslyn would fit in more to Nebraska State Historical Society properties...

SENATOR ASHFORD: Yes.

SENATOR CROSBY: ...than Game and Parks.

SENATOR ASHFORD: It may. I think there are three agencies it could go to, Historical Society, Games and Parks or Tourism. And the reason Tourism was chosen was because of the interest generated in Douglas County in their Tourism Department to work with the State Tourism Department to find a solution to the Joslyn Castle problem.

SENATOR CROSBY: Uh-huh.

SENATOR ASHFORD: So Tourism is where it eventually went. The study will tell us, I think, more appropriately where, if the state were to take title, where the property would go.

SENATOR CROSBY: And then I looked with real interest in the brochure that you handed out. Are all those furnishings there now? I just don't know anything about it.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Most of the furnishings are...some of the furnishings are at Joslyn Museum.

SENATOR CROSBY: Oh.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Some of the furnishings are with the family in New York and there is going to be an effort undertaken to bring some of those back.