

are going to do it from now on. With that, Mr. Speaker, I would just like to ask the body to seriously consider that question as well as the actual capital construction cuts that are being proposed here today. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Hefner, please, followed by Senators Dierks and Hall.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I rise I believe to oppose this amendment because we are lumping too many, too many sections of this bill together. We are trying to remove too much out of this. I don't agree with everything the Appropriations Committee does but I know that they have worked long and hard on these budget bills, and so to some of us that don't have the time to go into it in detail, well, you have got to take their word for it, and I believe this is what I am going to do. But I do know that after being down here for a number of years that you need to do some new construction and some renovation every year, and if you don't, you get too far behind. When that building needs a new roof, you just about have to put a new roof on it or else your damage is going to be so great that you are going to pay for it in later years. Also, if I remember correctly, we had the Morrill Hall issue before us I believe four or five years, but we finally got to it. We are finally able to get started on it and so that is the same way with some of these other projects, and I don't know how many times we ran that pony around that track but we ran it around quite a few times and we finally got enough money to do it. Also, during the years that we were short of money and going through the farm crisis, we had to delay some of this new construction, and so now as we have a little extra money, well, let's go ahead and do some of those things. But, okay, let's just go through this amendment a little bit. Section 1, Senator Hartnett and Senator Korshoj, I see where you have striking the repair of Atkinson Dam for \$345 (sic). Do you know if that is necessary? In your closing remarks, I wish you would address that.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Senator Hefner, I think that was one of the points I think I raised privately, and maybe you weren't on the floor at the time. I really, you know, I really put this out as a dis...you know, and I do not know, you know, there is probably needs for everyone of these projects, and I guess I, as a member of this Legislature, would like to have more knowledge, and I think Senator Warner did a good job of kind of giving the