

going to give you \$10,000 to justify the appropriation, you think they are going to come back and say, we don't need to spend this \$3 million? What other agency of government would you give that money to and you see how they have already gotten \$4.5 million for an adjustment center; over \$103,000 a bed, a net increase of 44 beds for \$4.5 million from this Legislature and, in addition to that, money where no need has been shown yet. Senator Scott Moore, I am shocked at you. No need has been shown for this \$3 million, and you appropriated it already. You appropriated it before the study, and I heard people talking about Kearney saying that how are you going to vote to do something before a study, which would show whether it is needed or not, and now you have appropriated \$3 million without showing the need for it. Is that responsible appropriating? I used to didn't be this sensitive and perceptive until I became a "Repelican", and now that I am more concerned about the expenditure of public money, I have to look at these things differently, and it seems to me to be putting the cart before the horse to say we are appropriating over \$3 million and the need...thank you, fellow "Repelican", I will try to stay cool. Senator Lamb just pulled my coat. We "Repelicans" don't customarily become this exercised. We are more laid back, cool, and discursive in the way we present our views, so I thank you, Brother Lamb, for calling me on that. Members of the Legislature, it is placing the cart before the horse and I have never seen this done before, to appropriate money before the need is shown. Now maybe if the money was projected to be spent in a city other than Lincoln, it would not have been done. This is a Lincoln proposal, this is Lincoln money, and it is being salted away for Lincoln. That is the only way I can put it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I would like to ask Senator Hannibal a question because he has been on the Appropriations Committee for sometime, and, again, maybe I have been premature. Senator Hannibal, can you think of another instance when the Appropriations Committee appropriated over \$3 million or any amount of money before a need for it was shown?

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Well, I don't believe that we are actually doing that here, Senator Chambers, but to answer your question, I have never voted to spend any money until I thought that there was a need there.