

the types of questions that we, as a Legislature, ask agencies of state government when they wish to spend taxpayers' money to build buildings or, in this case, rebuild buildings are significant and I think it goes beyond a specific...specific building. I don't apologize for the time we have used. I don't think anybody that is responsible for spending a lot of time on LB 814 needs to apologize. I think there have been some legitimate questions asked about this Pharmacy College and I think there have been some very legitimate proposals put forward. I think Senator Moore's proposal was a very legitimate proposal. It deserved consideration. We were very close to adopting that. Senator Hall's motion, from the other day, a motion which I signed onto that would have delayed the construction of this project and would have looked...gotten us more answers to these questions that I don't think we have had was a legitimate proposal. Neither of those had the majority. Procedurally, it's turned around now at this particular case. This is a bill, LB 812, that has the emergency clause on it. There are a number of proposals in this bill that you're going to hear arguments need to be funded immediately. Now that is not my fault, I guess, that's not my problem. What I'm going to suggest at this point is that those twenty some senators that have felt strongly enough to support Senator Moore's motion, that those twenty plus senators that voted to support Senator Hall's motion say to the supporters of 812, look, we tried, we tried our level best to improve the situation. And at this point, we vote no on the motion to advance LB 812 to Final Reading, and if it gets advanced, then you vote no on the motion to pass the bill, that I think at this...the time has to come somewhere for people that have legitimate questions and legitimate concerns about the manner in which this body spends money on capital construction, the manner in which this body spends \$3 million over to the university when they want it but then can't demand that they come up with \$50,000 when it's something that they don't particularly want to spend, that the time has come when we send them a message. You know, I may be the one senator that votes no on the motion to readvance 812. I may be the one senator that votes no on the motion to pass the bill on its Final Reading. But I would urge strongly that those 20 senators that have felt frustrated enough by this whole process send the signal that we're not just concerned about this particular building, we're concerned about the way senators are treated that have legitimate questions on these programs, that we're concerned about the way our university spends money, that we're concerned about the way capital construction projects tend