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PRESIDENT: The amendment fails. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Hartnett would move to amend by striking original Section 37.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hartnett, please.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. President, members of the body, I plan to withdraw this amendment, but I'd like to...and this program, Section 37, university Program 1919, finish the first floor space at University of Nebraska at Lincoln, UN-L, fiscal '89-90, will cost \$464,870. I think Senator Warner has some comments he'd like to make and also Senator Lowell Johnson. So, with that, I'll turn it over to Senator Warner. I'd like to withdraw it after their remarks.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, please.

SENATOR WARNER: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. I was just going to indicate that the bill that was introduced to do this had a total cost of \$890,000, the level that is recommended is \$464,000, roughly half, slightly over half of what was requested. There was some portions of the project that would not be completed and I would refer to Senator Lowell Johnson to give some more detail, if he'd like.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lowell Johnson.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you, Senator Hartnett, for your withdrawal indication. Just a general, quick review of what this item involved was space in the engineering link, which is the space between Nebraska Hall and the Walter Scott Engineering Center. One floor of the link area has been left uncompleted, and that space has been designated then as the possibility for the eventual enlargement of an area now being used for a very important research in micro...electro-optics, rather. By moving the Mechanical Engineering Department to the space designated in the link area, it would provide the necessary space to enlarge the electro-optics laboratory. You might say what is electro-optics? It is a very important field now which involves our University of Nebraska. It is one of the leading sections in the nation as far as it involved electro-optics. In fact word has just been received that the University of Nebraska Engineering College is seeking designation by the National