

about the potential impact on Morrill Hall and I wanted to raise that as an issue in the bill, since the two facilities, as we discussed yesterday, have similar missions and they work together, and I think there is no Nebraskan that isn't supportive of Morrill Hall and would have shared out concern about the possible loss of accreditation. Upon further probing into this issue and discussion, it was brought to our attention that the issue had been raised in a regents meeting. A couple of regents had expressed concern about this. They had been assured by the administration that it would be taken care of, and so we simply deleted the appropriation of any money, but did leave in some intent language stating that it is the Legislature's intent that the university take care of the accreditation problems that Morrill Hall seems to be facing. So that is, this simply becomes intent language with no actual appropriations attached. I would urge your adoption of this section. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Warner, did you care to speak to it? Thank you. Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, if I could ask Senator Scofield a question, I guess.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Scofield.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Who accredits museums, is there a national organization?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: There is a national organization that does this. I believe it is the American...I believe it is the American Museum Association. There is a report filed by the accreditation group on file in the Fiscal Office that I came across this summer as I was visiting with one of the fiscal analyst. That is how it happened to come to my attention, but all museums that...well, not all museums are accredited, but the nationally recognized museums generally do go through accreditation processes. The reason I happen to know this is years ago when I was president of a small historical society, I became aware of the kinds of processes that museums go through to become accredited, and with a museum the stature of Morrill Hall, obviously, there is some justification I think for wanting to maintain accreditation status. It had to do primarily...do you want me to continue, or I am using your...