

supporting the bill, LB 525, conceptually, was an either/or, neither/nor, or perhaps I should say "ither"/or or "nither"/nor bill in which would provide the Legislature options and when you're looking for options they have to match. Nine million is a very good number. It matches LB 83, that is \$9 million. And if we can trade, that's in two years as opposed to one, so it's not quite a match but it's better than 18. Plus, this ends in two years, theoretically, and, of course, LB 683 goes on for a long time, 20 years, as I recall. So it would seem to me that it would be very appropriate to adopt this amendment to give the Legislature an either/or choice, to give the Governor an either/or choice. They are both aid programs. It's not difficult for me to opt to have that aid going for schools, if I have to choose between two, and so I think this is an excellent amendment and I would hope the body would support it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Mr. Speaker and members, after following Senator Warner's speech, I'm listening to him and I understand his certain amount of chiding over the evaporation of these funds after a couple of years. I know that he has some concerns about the wisdom of LB 611 sunseting in '89 and who knows, given the tenacity of this Legislature to make some tough decisions, he's probably going to be right and it's just one more example of them. Now I don't enjoy, as nobody does, to oppose state aid to education and I'm really not. I remember back in January, back in February, I introduced an amendment to LB 89 for \$20 million in state aid, to make it that, and it was defeated soundly. As I said then, there were people doing cartwheels down the aisles if we'd introduce that \$20 million in state aid the year before. I think some people need to remember this great compromise costs \$18 million. Well, for those members of the body, I wasn't here as a member, but I was here as a staff person, go back four years ago to the Memorial Day massacre. How much money did we cut? About \$18 million. Remember how painful that was? Remember how painful that \$18 million was coming out? A lot easier to just lob it on, but sometimes you have to take it out, it's going to be a lot tougher. You know, it's like we're all a bunch of little kids or a bunch of high schoolers at the Junior-Senior prom and there is no way we can say no to anybody. Can't say no to anybody and it's not fun doing it and we've got ourselves in such a position that we've simply said no to no one. Like I said the other night, we're spending money like drunken sailors. We believe the Michelob Light ads, you can