

and Monday and I would just remind you there was about 50 million of A bills there or revenue reducers and the Governor has to take somewhere between 21 and 28 of those and whatever we add adds to that total. But I can't help but observe that's consistent with the kind of policy that I think is right, although I sometimes recognize that that's not a popular concept to operate or fund current programs at the expense of new ones. It's probably a pretty good policy as long as you all understand that what goes in today comes out tomorrow, I suspect.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit, would you like to close on your motion?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, Senator Warner has identified very accurately that it's very tempting to propose new programs and it's easy to get caught up and carried away and we've done that. I just want to suggest that the two bills which I got carried away on against my better judgment, LB 84 and LB 739, were bills that were agreed upon, I believe, by the Governor and I don't think I had very much to do with the rest of the spending proposals of this legislative session, less than I had wanted to, I would...can tell you that, and maybe even less than I had anticipated yesterday I was going to have because it appears that I have one other proposal I may venture to try to run by you and that is \$190,000 of planning money for the building at Mead. But if I made a mistake in judgment in voting for LB 84, and I probably did, and if I made a mistake in judgment in voting for LB 739, and I may have, then I share the same mistake that was made by a lot of other people on this floor, including my very good friend, the Governor. I just want to say, again, that this 1,470,000 leverages 5,550,000 of federal money and I have not, I've said it, I do not believe that the project can be built without that money. It will not be built this year without that money I've been told, and I do not know nor do we have any assurance that the money from the federal government will be there next year. If it were true that it were there, then there would be all the more reason to try to...to try to maybe let it go and pick it up next year, although it's been my experience that money for this type of funding comes so very, very hard out of the Legislature. Last, I want to say that, aside from my natural interest in this type of funding, I cannot be accused of trying to get money from my district. If I had my choice, there are probably some places I would rather see it spent than downtown Omaha, notwithstanding my good...my many good friends in Omaha. But I do want to say