

SENATOR WARNER: ...at this proposal comes from those who in the past I think have supported the superboard, in which, as you know, superboard combines both governance and coordination in a single entity. I was never particularly enthused with that concept. It seemed to me an awful lot of detail for someone to have to do but, more importantly, frequently coordination and the governance of a particular institution are going to be in conflict, and because of that likelihood and that probability, it seems to me that the separation proposed here permits a very effective system for coordination, yet frees up the governance as it ought to be freed up at the campus level.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Schimek, please.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Mr. President, and members of the body, I will try to be brief because I have had the opportunity to speak once already. I would like to refer to what Senator Nelson said, and she said that sometimes change is for the better, sometimes. Sometimes change is not for the better, Senator Nelson, and that is what our responsibility is here today is to try to look into the future and see what these kinds of changes will bring. I am not going to speak any more on the bill except just to say that if by some miraculous happening, Senator Withem, this does get to Select File, that I will be offering an amendment at that time that would amend what we did the other day as far as appointment, election, other regents's concern. I do think that if we are going to give this much power in the area of coordination and budgeting to this body that it is incumbent upon us to see that it is an elected body that is responsible back to the people. I am not satisfied with the board which is nearly half appointed and half elective. I don't know if the rest of you have any concerns about that but I will be offering that on Select File. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator McFarland, please, followed by Senator Haberman and Senator Pirsch. Senator McFarland. Say, may I introduce some guests, please, Senator McFarland, before you speak. Senator Scott Moore has attending Youth Government Day from the Centennial High School, York High School, Nebraska Lutheran High School, and Stromsburg High School in the south balcony. Would you folks please stand and be recognized by the Legislature? Thank you for visiting us today. And, also, Senator Jacky Smith has a guest under the north balcony, Glen Wiens of Ayr, Nebraska. Glen, would you please stand and let us recognize you? Thank you. Senator McFarland, please.