

will not vote to increase the size of government from two boards to seven boards. They just won't do it. I think they have had enough, but we are going to offer it to them. We are going to say we know what is best for you. We are suggesting...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR HABERMAN: ...going from two boards to seven boards, over 100 people. We want to change all of this and, citizens, we think you should do it. I don't think it will pass. I intend to oppose it. The people in my district I have talked to do not like it. Therefore, I would like to ask you to vote no on the advancement of 239. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Pirsch, please, followed by Senator Scofield.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. President. I have listened intently to the debate and I think it has been good to have this amount of debate on such a significant change. And I guess in my 12 years in the Unicameral, I have been concerned about the lack of coordination, which the Postsecondary Coordinating Committee, which Senator Warner mentioned, has not been able to give and does not have the authority and perhaps that the constitutional regents could do. Now by virtue of assignment in the Constitution, the regents are tunnel-visioned toward UNL, and the UNO, and the med center, and lately, the Kearney, but can they coordinate the entire system, which I think is badly overdue? And I really don't know the answer to that. I would like to ask two questions of Senator Warner, if he would yield.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Senator Warner, I trust and value your judgment and you certainly have had the experience in the past, but you were talking also about giving a coordinating authority to the regents, and Senator McFarland had an amendment, which I supported, which would give the regents more complete authority through the budgets, so there won't be the end runs and the endless campus lobbyists before the Legislature. Do you not think that would be a good idea?

SENATOR WARNER: Senator, if the Legislature chose to make lump sum, there would nothing that would prevent that from happening. The reason that I...two reasons why I think it would make no