

program to correspond with another section of the bill. So the only actual meat to this amendment is the Nebraska Library Commission, to a deficit appropriation to aid them in fulfilling an obligation created by an employee passed away.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Moore. Is there anyone who wishes to debate this amendment? Seeing none, all those in favor of the Moore amendment please vote aye, opposed nay.

SPEAKER BAACK PRESIDING

SPEAKER BAACK: Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Moore's amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: The amendment is adopted. Is there anything further on the bill?

CLERK: Yes, sir. Senator Moore would move to amend. Senator, I have AM1980 in front of me. (See page 2328 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: This is the amendment dealing with the situation out in western Nebraska in Senator Wickersham's district, a deficit appropriation, that is an attempt to assist the Crawford, Sioux County area dealing with the flood damage that happened about 10 days ago. Those of you that do not follow along in the press, the situation is this. There is a Governor's emergency fund that the Governor has discretion over, which allows the Governor in situations like this to use that fund to help leverage federal funds from FEMA. That fund in this biennium has already been depleted both by the tornados just in the last...the Lawrence tornadoes in fiscal year '89-90, and then, of course, the flood damage in northern central Nebraska, the Platte County area, in the summer of last year. Because of a variety of natural disasters, that fund has actually been depleted. In 844 already, there has been a deficit appropriation to the tune of \$615,000. That deficit appropriation basically is this, because of all the previous activity, that fund which is originally appropriated at half a million dollars, has been spent down, is operating a deficit of about \$365,000. Actually, we have already spent more than that,