

dollars for each year of the biennium, which will help make up the difference or the shortfall at UNO and it will help, if we accept Senator Kristensen's amendment also, the shortfall at UNK, albeit a rather modest help. I think, I know Senator Withem asked me earlier and others where is this money coming from. Well, first of all, it's somewhat less than what we were originally were requesting, certainly a lot less than the 3 million dollars that was requested yesterday and it's a priority issue. This money will come out of the A bills; it will come out of other programs. But it, as I said yesterday and I won't repeat myself again today other than to say that I think it is an issue of priorities. The amount is modest, the amount is meager, the shortfall is great. I guess I know there are a lot of obviously worthwhile projects out there. I think our university system is one that needs to be looked at extreme...with a great deal of care to make sure that we maintain as we go forward. So, with that, I would urge the adoption of my amendment to the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Ashford. On the amendment to the amendment, Senator Cudaback. Senator Moore, on the amendment to the amendment.

SENATOR MOORE: Mr. Speaker and members, you know, it's...you know, for Senator Ashford, I guess the one-eyed steer speech applies that I've given a number of times. You run the old one-eyed steer through the ring enough times, somebody buys it, and I'm not being critical of Senator Ashford. He's very serious about what he wants to do there, but with the adoption of the last amendment, just one of those things where I don't...it always amazes me this time of year, this time of the budget debate people don't understand that what goes in must come out. Look at your budget books. Turn to page 34, if you would please. Turn to page 34 of the budget book. This is a thing in the supplemental bill. Look at it. Rip it out. Look at it, fold it on page 20, Department of Health, fold it over right there, rip that, rip it all in half because the way you're spending money those things go. The rest of the A bills, the rest of the page goes, too. Now it doesn't have to be 650. Turn back to page 33. Look at the things on page 33. Which one of those do you want...you don't want to live without? Amendments come late. It's kind of like point of purchases shopping in a shopping center where they put the little fingernail clippers and the combs and stuff like that and try and catch you on the way out. Senator Kristensen, Senator