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might be able to get enough money for a project that they have, and the money would go to communities that have a specific project, rather than just every community, whether they have a project or not.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay, thank you, Bernard-Stevens. I appreciate that reply, but I think we need to be careful of what we are doing here today, and also this week. I believe that if we want to reduce state aid to municipalities, or to schools, or anything like that, it should not be any more of a percentage than what we want to reduce the state budget because it is just as tough on them as it is on state government. So I think we need to consider these facts. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hefner. Senator Robinson. Does anyone else wish to speak to this bill? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Moore?

SENATOR MOORE: Thank you very much, Madam President. You know, I thank the members of the Appropriations Committee for standing up and talking. Obviously, your phone was not ringing this weekend encouraging you to vote for this bill, I know that. I understand that, but Senator Schmit mentions, and that's why I talk about adjustments, this one is a pure cut. This one is not smoke and mirrors. This one is a pure cut. And what happens? Senator Schmit and others line up saying, no, you can't do this one, you can't do this one. I understand that. I mean it is a tough one to make but, nevertheless, as I said before, I mean the Omaha World-Herald, I sometimes agree with them, sometimes I don't, but today, this morning, they are absolutely correct. I have always used the term budget gap trying to get away from some of the terminology, but you are absolutely right, the reason we have a problem is spending overload because of decisions like this, decisions this body made without raising taxes. Is it a broken promise? Yes, it is. But also it was a promise made without the revenue in the future there to sustain it. I call it a bad promise, not necessarily a broken promise. You know, look at LB 830, a promise this body made to fund developmental disabilities. Are we going to go back on that? Yes, we might. Look at the promise we made to the teachers in HELP. Look at the promises we made to our own state agencies, and we have midyear across-the-board reductions. I mean the times necessitate action like this. As the graph I pointed out, do you want to solve all your problem within the state operations budget, you can do it but you are talking double