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been established although that...and that was by amendment on the floor. The bill was introduced as July 1 of '93. I can accept that but it should be understood that the Coordinating Commission, aside from the program review, which occurs for all institutions, is that primarily what they will tell us is under what educational system it should be administered, and, in any event, those programs, even though they would be administered by the community college in the North Platte area, they would be totally state funded and, obviously, this Legislature could establish that at whatever level of funding they chose to do. But my position is, at this point, that since I was in the mid...by the way, this is another example of where we did across-the-board cut to an agency and then objected strenuously to what they chose. As I indicated a little earlier, these are the kinds of arguments we're going to have over the next months.

SENATOR CONWAY: One minute.

SENATOR WARNER: We're going to have it a little later this morning, I assume, on the bill, direct the agency to cut but don't cut that. But, at this point, I would be in agreement that the university Board of Regents do have the authority to make some reduction there at whatever level they want but they cannot, as a practical matter, redirect that money but that's kind of immaterial because if they take the cut at Curtis instead of some other program, it's indirectly redirecting the money, in any event, in order to get to their 4.2 million.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Warner. Senator Lamb, your light is next.

SENATOR LAMB: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and members, I think all I will say is that I rise to oppose the amendment. I would appreciate hearing Senator Withem's position on this and I would relinquish my time to him if he would care to use it.

SENATOR WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Lamb, for your gracious...thank you for your gracious use of your time. I choose not to use it.

SENATOR CONWAY: Senator Elmer, you're next.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Many of the points that I...many of the points that I was going to be making have already been made. Needless to say, I would oppose the Wesley