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SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Wehrbein, you and I were both here when public radio was added to public television. Could you tell me what you've been working...I understand that the Appropriations Committee has worked through all of the budgets the first time, or all of the requests the first time.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Off hand, do you remember what is requested for Nebraska public radio?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: When we started or now?

SENATOR COORDSEN: No, now, now.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I think it's about three...

SENATOR COORDSEN: I remember what it was when we started.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...325? Three eighty, 380,000.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Okay, the reason I mention that is not that expenditures on public communications are a bad, a bad expenditure. As a matter of fact, I would be in support of providing some public assistance to our public communications, but this is an illustration of how programs get to the place where you question whether they're affordable or not. When Senator Wehrbein and I and other members of the Legislature were here, at that time, we put in place the authorization for public radio to be added. And as I recall, it was to be an \$80,000, one time appropriation, and the citizens of Nebraska would be so appreciative of public radio that their, their voluntary contributions therefore into the future would care for, cover the cost of public radio. And now we're at \$380,000, probably well worth the money. But I think...I rise this morning to illustrate how good ideas do have the ability to grow and we kind of forget to look once in a while. And I only wanted to mention that in passing, not as an opponent to certainly public broadcasting in Nebraska. But this seemed to be a good illustration of how our budget has grown, tripled and quadrupled over a very, very short period of time because of every good program that we put in place for one promise by the sponsors that never bore fruition. Thank you, Madam President