

then after that period it declines, and that probably is much easier to work with, much easier to plan for. But I have a lot of reservations about, unless it's well understood that we're going to revisit this and as we know better what the revenue and expenditure balances are and, if possible, even out that flow, I would be very hesitant to adopt the amendment at this time. Certainly, I'm supportive of the concept that production agriculture would not have further contributions. They'll be doing half of it as it is and I can appreciate that part, but I have a lot of reluctance to adopt this amendment at this time knowing that at least I would be far more comfortable if the amount appropriated or transferred in this first biennium was more nearly half of the amount that's going to be needed over the next four years, rather than only 4 million out of the 30 million that is anticipated.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Warner. I would like to recognize guests of Senator Vrtiska. In the north balcony, with that handsome gentleman standing up there amidst them, we have from Pawnee City Elementary School 25 fourth graders and their teacher. Senator, can you have them stand so we can recognize them. Senator Stuhr.

SENATOR STUHR: Yes, Mr. Speaker, and members of the body, I guess I don't feel so bad that I've been grappling with this LB 377 very seriously over the weekend when Senator Coordsen and Senator Warner are also having the same sorts of doubts and concerns. And I guess my concerns, particularly I wanted to comment what Senator Warner had to say, was the amendment that addresses the intent and not the transfer and particularly the amounts of only addressing 4 million these two years and then trying to come up with 26 million in the next two years. And I would certainly be more in favor if we couldn't come to some compromise in this amount. Again, I think, I mentioned earlier, I can remember serving on the Nebraska Corn Board in, I believe it was '83-84. At that time, we set... had a checkoff for a cent and a half and we contributed \$16 million into the fund at that time, and I guess little did we know that it would be so successful and we would be dealing with this concern today. So, I guess, I'm going to continue to listen to the debate and see what some of them might have to offer. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It's probably going to