

cut if we were to do that. It shows the funding that we did. If you notice, we fully funded some and some had to be absorbed by the agencies which is the ones with the parenthesis around it, and so the net of this state employ...of this salary bill is the figure that you would...that is in the bill. I trust that that will be adequate explanation. If there's questions, I would be happy to entertain them. Once again, I would call your attention to the settlements. If you recall the Governor, in his budget, provided 3 percent funding, recommended a 4 per...as negotiation in general the larger amounts were 4 and 3.5 percent and fund them across the board at 3 percent. As a general rule, we took it agency by agency, fully funding in some cases and actually in most cases, granting them full PSL in nearly all cases and some places having the agency absorb it. We did it on an agency by agency so a feeling that we were fair, seeing how the impact was on the agency and acted accordingly.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Madam President. Senator Wehrbein, if you'd yield to a couple questions.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: And I'm looking on page 26 and I guess if you could clarify for me which of the agencies that...which agencies were fully funded so they did not have to dip within their own budgets to fund the negotiated contract?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I can't truly remember them all. As I recall we funded, fully funded Corrections, we fully funded State Patrol and the University of Nebraska.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: But the University of Nebraska, I mean that's not in...that's not a...that was not negotiated. They don't have a negotiating unit, do.... That was just done because...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Did you...did you ask on the negotiation? I'm sorry.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yeah, I'm sorry, but I can understand