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this money here ultimately we're going to end up saving the state money. In California, five years ago, state of California decided to invest \$50 million in a very similar program. Since then, they've attracted \$50 million of private money, additional private money. The results are astounding: reduction in dropouts, reduction in teen pregnancy, reduction in gang membership. It's worked. And from accounts nationally, Congress is considering some sort of a block grant program to help out those states that have done this very thing. If we're one of the first, we may attract federal money that would make the program grow. Do these people need money? You say to yourself, Tom Osborne is a fantastic fund raiser; why does he need our help? It's because there are kids out there that aren't getting help. Even with Tom Osborne's fund-raising prowess, even with as much respect as that man has statewide, he has not been able to raise enough money to help all the kids that need help, to match all the kids that need somebody to mentor them. There are volunteers out there, but there aren't people to find the matches, there aren't people to go talk to the counselors to identify who needs the help. This program is exactly the type of thing that the state of Nebraska needs. In the long-run, it's going to save us money, it's going to keep kids out of prison. And if you, like me, don't like the idea of spending millions and millions and millions of dollars to build cement warehouses for people, let's pick them off before we have to send them to the cement warehouse, let's pick them off when they're ten years old, and get them a mentor, and get them some help. And so I encourage you to think about this amendment. I'd be happy to answer any questions anybody has. And I think this is exactly the type of thing the state of Nebraska needs. With that, I'd yield my time to the Chair.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Stuhr, for what point do you rise?

SENATOR STUHR: Mr. President, I rise to challenge the germaneness of this amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Okay. Senator Stuhr, would you care to give me reasons why you feel it's not germane.

SENATOR STUHR: It actually has nothing to do with the subject of the bill, which is vocational technical training. And that's