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amendments.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The committee amendments are agreed to. Discussion on the advancement of LB 880, Senator Raikes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Senator Wehrbein, I wonder if I could ask you a question.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR RAIKES: On page 85 of the committee amendment, at the bottom, there's reference to General Funds appropriated for the bacteria or the E. coli research. Do you see the section on...last paragraph on page 85?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I'm just about there. Yes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay. The question is now this was a program that was begun a year ago, as I remember, and it would appropriate General Fund monies to the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources to study E. coli, problems associated therewith, is that correct?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay. This, and am I correct on \$125,000 a year, is that...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Two fifty a year for five years.

SENATOR RAIKES: Two fifty a year for five years, okay. I think we had discussion about leveraging these funds. In particular, you and I are both involved in cattle feeding and we both pay checkoff money on cattle that we marketed, that we do market, and there's a fund created thereby to...I think the primary purpose is in beef marketing, is that right?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, although I think it covers a little wider span. I know the Med Center is involved. I've not had a