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LB 1101

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that would mean the state automatically has to provide additional services, wouldn't it?

SENATOR AGUILAR: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And if the state...if this were repealed or erased then we have no specification of services anymore. Is that true?

SENATOR AGUILAR: Yes, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm doing this to show why it is required that the State Legislature give a point at which they're relying on these federal enactments so that you're not saying our law in this state can be modified by an act of Congress. Because the Legislature is the only one, under the Nebraska Constitution, that has authority to legislate for the state. I don't want you to think that I'm just picking on you. I've gone after things like this in other people's bills. But getting now to some of the philosophy of the bill,...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, okay.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. Senator Don Pederson, on the Chambers amendment to LB 1101.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the body, I have some observations that I've formulated in hearing the discussion about this. The first observation is, as I said before, that this is a very well-intentioned bill and I think it fills a need that exists in our society. I do have a lot of apprehensions about the way in which this bill is structured. It seems to me the bill is structured more as an idea than it is fleshing it out with the details that are needed for a legislative bill. And, in that respect, I'm concerned because, in inquiring of Senator Aguilar, it's hoped that the \$200,000 would be adequate to fulfill the program. But I think that's