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SENATOR WEHRBEIN: That's correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. That is all that I will ask you. I do not think this is a justifiable expenditure but I will listen to any debate that may take place. I do have to make a correction, too. This is not Monday. Today is Tuesday. I had said...now everybody is nodding yes, but only one person contacted me (laughing) to remind me that today is Tuesday, not Monday, and I do appreciate that.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Wehrbein, on the Chambers amendment.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Senator Chambers, I also caught that and I contacted the Legislative Journal so that they would have the correct day in spite of what you were saying, so. I'm going to oppose Senator Chambers on this. And I...the reason for this is it's using a...it's called the COPS, Community Oriented Police Services, using a federal grant, and the idea is to hire this, specifically for this purpose, and free the...it isn't exactly six that are out there doing this job now, but to put six more troopers on the road is the idea behind this. And I don't want to mislead you and say that it's probably six for six. I don't really know that it's six for six, but the idea is to put more troops on the road, and by applying for this federal grant for this purpose, that will free up those that are out there in the troop areas now doing this sort of work. I'm not going to say it's in this great amount of detail, but that, obviously, is going on out there to some extent now across the state. And so by using this federal grant money to do this specific purpose, it will free up other members of the State Patrol to do road duty and that's the reason for this proposal. And I think you've all heard, as well as I've all heard, that we ought to have more troops on the road, and this is one way that the Governor is proposing to do that. It seems realistic. It is costing the state \$176,000 each year for the three years, and then, of course, we will be on our own probably. But it is a reasonable expense. It is using federal money to get started in this area. It's a way to get more troops on the road. I think it's a worthwhile goal because, once again, I've heard that criticism many times that