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amendment that goes back through a number of these items, adding and deleting various items from what we had submitted, and I would submit that essentially it's very difficult to look at something like this and say, okay, this is for the best interests of the state, this is not for the best interests of the state. What this is, in my opinion, is a direction towards a bottom line dollar amount and, frankly, when we in the Appropriations Committee were evaluating the needs of the state, we did not go in with a preconceived idea of what the bottom dollar line should be. We went in to make a determination, which I think is a responsibility of the Appropriations Committee, as designated by this Legislature, to advise you what, in our opinion, are the needs of the state and how is it best accomplished. So with that in mind, nine of us spent three and a half months meeting with all of these agencies that are on this list now and, in general, we talked to them at least three times, each one of them, in an effort to try to determine what their needs were, what the benefits were to the state, what would happen if we reduced, what would happen if we increased, but just to determine what were the needs of the state. And at this point, frankly, it's very difficult to go over this entire list because we were not driven by a bottom line. And if that was the idea, if we were going to be governed by a bottom line, we should have probably started in January and said, this is the number of dollars that we're going to spend, you figure out how to spend it. That's not the way you determine the needs of the state. And let me give you an example. I know that the questions were asked of Senator Engel early on about what the effect would be on the Legislative Council. Well, the Legislative Council also includes the Legislative Fiscal Analysts and people like that. We would have to make serious, serious cuts, and those are the people that advise us what the needs of the state are dollarwise and how we achieve those things. So what I'm trying to say is that these are very far-reaching things that may sound good on their face but, people, believe me, this is not the way you determine the budget for the state of Nebraska. An example, and I'm not going to try and go through each of the items on the list of things that Senator Erdman has, but let me give you an example. We increased some to the Attorney General's Office and one of the reasons, one of the significant reasons why we increased that,