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give them the adequate education that they need, whether they be in rural Nebraska or they be in the city of Omaha or Lincoln. And we're attempting to find that balance. Everybody tells me there's lots of money squandered at the education level. Then that's the local school board decision. If that's...that's what we have in Nebraska, is the local school boards making the decisions, and if there's some changes that ought to be made, then school boards need to make it. But at this point we're trying to provide adequate funding, state aid, in the case of K-12 and we're trying to fund higher education to the degree. And I have yet to understand to say that the cuts that we've made to higher education at this point have been mild, and here we...if we...even if we pass this amendment, we're going to add several million dollars worth of cuts. And if you've read the details of Wayne and Chadron and Peru and the University of Nebraska, and the University of Nebraska at Kearney, those cuts are serious and deep already, and we're going to ask them to take some more per this amendment. But I'm willing to go there and that's why I'm supporting this amendment, if there will be...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...some others be able to buy into the seriousness of this situation and, once again, not totally balance our budget on the backs of education. And it's kind of interesting, you see, that we...that corrections are untouchable. At least there ought to have been a response to say, we'll look at it; I totally disagree with it, but we'll look at it; it's something we ought to do. We cut some money out of State Patrol, \$2.5 million as I recall that was not taken by the Governor. So I think we are looking under a lot of stones, in spite of the accusations that we've had, and I've enumerated many times about the tens and the twenties and the thirties thousands of dollars we took trying to preserve some service to this state. So I endorse this. I hope that a few more of you, at least, if not all, will buy into this compromise attempt to try to find some common ground to try to meet the needs and the ability to pay of this state, realizing that it is increased revenue.