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SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, let me make one thing perfectly clear. This does not take money out of the Highway Trust Fund. Does everybody understand that? This does not take money out of the Highway Trust Fund. It restores \$6.5 million to the university. Now you can be proud of the \$13 million cut you made this morning, but when you start losing your extension agents and when you start losing funding to your research farms and the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources takes a big hit in this, the University of Nebraska at Kearney is important to my region of the state, this is going to fall back on you. You're going to hear. And when you see the tuition increases that the university is going to take and then you're going to have to explain to people, well, we didn't mean for that to happen. Higher education has always been important to me. It's been important to my family. My father made sure his three sons went to college, and these cuts are going to hurt. You've got a chance to come halfway, restore \$6.5 million. And I didn't strike a deal. Now part of the problem here is because the Appropriations Committee came out with a good plan. We had a \$760 million shortfall. They narrowed that to \$350 million, but that's not enough for some of you. Senator Pedersen's amendment I didn't vote for, on the prisons, but so be it. So...and so we've got to...we've got to cut more to get the necessary 30 or 33 votes, whatever it makes, whatever it does, but these hurt. These cuts are going to hurt, I don't care if they're to higher education, they're to K-12 education or what they're to. And as far as the Highway Trust Fund is concerned, you know, I've gone through a special session and two regular sessions where they haven't been touched. Can somebody tell me why? So this amendment does not take any money out of the Highway Trust Fund. You've got a chance here, I think this is doomed to failure, but you've got a chance here to restore half the cut we made this morning and I think it's appropriate and I think we'd all sleep a little better tonight if we did that. So be it, but I'm giving you a chance. I didn't vote for the cuts this morning and I didn't make any deals. And I know how bad cuts hurt and if you don't believe it, come back and talk to me. I would appreciate your consideration. I understand the situation is not very...we're in a bad situation here. We've got a lot of freshmen senators