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of use of space, that the committee...the Building Division reports both to us and the 309 Committee as to the availability of state-owned property to meet state space (sic) agency requirement, so that we are not renting space someplace when we have open space that we own somewhere else. It's an attempt to get a more current inventory of our property and to utilize it more effectively. Section 10, which has LB 1050 in here, prohibits the selling...prohibits DAS from selling the Ferguson House. This is a historical building and I'll let Senator Beutler talk some on that. He's more familiar with the details, but this is an historical building that the state has had ownership for several years. It is felt that we ought to acknowledge the importance of it and keep it under our control and that there, even though there was not a sale imminent, there...it could be possibilities that arise in the future. This would prohibit that at this point. I think that's all I have on the opening, Senator Bromm.

**SPEAKER BROMM:** Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. You've heard the opening on the committee amendments. Senator Janssen.

**SENATOR JANSSEN:** Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. As Senator Wehrbein alluded to, this amendment does have a portion of LB 1021 within it, and actually it goes for the renewal of or renovation of those state buildings. And if you want to look at it in the same picture, it does approximately the same thing. By renovating some of the buildings why...and it will help maintain that structure and they will not deteriorate as fast as they would of anyway. So it's a good measure and it does help the university on some of their buildings. With that, I'll close. Thank you.

**SPEAKER BROMM:** Thank you, Senator Janssen. Senator Wehrbein, I see no further lights on the committee amendments. Would you care to close on those amendments?

**SENATOR WEHRBEIN:** Thank you, Mr. President and members. I think I have enumerated what is in the bill properly. Thank you. Or the amendment, thank you.

**SPEAKER BROMM:** You heard the closing on the committee