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of gifts, bequests, grants or contributions from private and public sources, funds transferred from the Veteran Cemetery Construction Fund after the completion of the three cemeteries, and any funds received from other sources for the cemetery system after the termination of the construction fund. Only the earnings of the endowment fund may be used. Finally, there is created the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund, and money in this will be used for the operation, administration, and maintenance of the state cemetery system. All investment earnings from the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Endowment Fund will be credited to the operations fund. No revenue from the state General Funds will be remitted to any of the three funds mentioned already. When there are sufficient funds in the endowment fund that the projected annual earnings from the endowment fund available for transfer to the operation fund in each of the succeeding five years plus the annual value of formal agreements that have been entered into between the state or any other entities to subsidize or undertake the operation, administration or maintenance of the facilities within the state veteran cemetery system, possess a value equaling or exceeding 125 percent of the projected annual cost of the operation, administration and maintenance...or maintenance of the three cemetery facilities for the succeeding five years, the director may make formal application to the federal government for financial assistance in the construction of the facilities. Like the original LB 1231, the committee amendment creates the Nebraska Veterans Cemetery Advisory Board. The board will have seven members including the director of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, three veterans appointed from a list forwarded by the county board of each county within which a veteran cemetery may be located, and three members with experience in cemetery administration or operation. Thus endeth the committee amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. You've heard the opening on the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee amendments to LB 1231. Open for discussion on those amendments. Senator Loudon on the committee amendments.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. Yeah, Senator Hartnett and Senator Aguilar and I