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except that any member who attends an independent, not-for-profit, regionally accredited college or university in this state shall receive a credit in the amount no higher than that person would receive if they attended the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. So that definitely puts a cap on the amount of the tuition that can be granted to anybody. They can't be granted a tuition amount of a private university or college if it's more than what it is at the university. So that does help put a cap on it. And if I understand the way this has worked in the past, the Guard estimates the amount of applicants, and they look at the amount of money, and they try to decide then if they're going to be able to meet the need or not. And if they aren't, they just have to cut the numbers that are actually going to receive the aid. So they've always pretty much stayed under this cap. Senator Chambers, I think we do need some more work on this bill. I wouldn't disagree with you at all. But it's not a badly written bill. And in fact, it's served us very well since 1999, I think, is the last time that we changed it. So I think it works. And there are some issues that have been brought up that I think need answers. And we may even want to play with the wording a little bit yet. And we'd be happy to have you involved in those kinds of discussions. So with that, Mr. President, I would conclude my remarks.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Don Pederson, you're recognized.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I'm a bit concerned as to where this bill is actually going, quite honestly. And I think that Senator Chambers has some very good points here. And I'd like to ask Senator Janssen...I'm reading the fiscal note for this bill, and it says what this bill does is increases from 75 percent to 100 percent the amount that may be given by tuition benefit. But it doesn't increase the total amount that's available under the program. So apparently, what would happen is, if you have more people, it's going to, in some way, be ultimately capped by the \$900,000. And the amendment that committee proposed of increasing that cap was not advanced. So I'm not really certain what you've gained by this. Could you tell me what the benefit is to the bill, as you have it now?