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SENATOR FOLEY: Very good. Very good. Thank you again, Senator Louden. Appreciate your work on this, and I'm a strong supporter of your bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Foley. Senator Thompson.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I told Senator Louden that I...my...he knows my concerns. I don't want to stop his bill, but I will tell you, it's in the way that this is constructed. An agreement has been made among all the people working on veterans cemeteries, and I appreciate Some people in Sarpy County who are working on it have told me that they support this even though it cuts out the ability of Sarpy County to receive any General Fund monies. And just for those of you who are kind of new to this issue in the Legislature, this has come up for many, many years, and the agreement was made, when this passed, that people wouldn't come in and ask for General Fund money. So that's why the law is the way it is. Now, you know, we've got a very good partnership going in Alliance, and the Governor is requesting General Fund money for that purpose. And all of the people who are active in this have worked in an agreement. My only concern is the way this is written. I guess I would prefer...would have preferred to open it up to any of those at any point in time who want to come in and make a case. But the way this is structured, the language is to preclude any county over 100,000 population from being able to ask. And what the Sarpy County people said was, they've got an agrement that if they can....they come back and ask for it at some other time and then get their own bill at that time. That's my concern. I would have just preferred to make it, in my view, kind of clean, and let it.. open it up for whomever at what point in time to be able to come in and ask for General Fund money when there is an agreement. It's...I told Senator Louden I wouldn't stand in front of his bill, because at least two people from Sarpy County who are working on the Sarpy County aspect of it said they were okay with them being That's just my issue, and I know it's terribly precluded. parochial, but that's my concern, is that we're writing the law for the future, and that we have a big military population in Sarpy County, they've been working to get national money for