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mentioned this, we had LB 1100, and now we've got daughter of LB 1100, and I assume we're going to have daughter of daughter of LB 1100, and maybe daughter of daughter of daughter of...if I got the right number there, of LB 1100. When does this end, and did we start some sort of a new funding program for state buildings in LB 1100 which we are now confirming as the way of the future, by adopting this proposal, if that's what the body decides they're going to do?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Are you asking me a question?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yeah, there's a question on the end of that.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Oh, okay, thank you. You know, I don't know that you ever stop upgrading and developing your state system of education. We don't anticipate that at the present time, but you know, when we did LB 1100, that was semi-stopgap. We knew we weren't solving all the problems of the world at that time. We knew that LB 1100 would be a start to the renovation of these properties, and if it had been an end-all, we certainly would have hit Brace Hall, that I mentioned earlier, because it's been in bad shape since about 1900. But I want to answer a question, if I may, that you asked earlier. I didn't have the papers in front of me at the time. You were asking about the responsibility of the university and the state colleges to maintain their own properties, and the university itself has spent \$15.5 million a year, each year, over the last ten years in repair and maintenance of facilities. The state colleges have spent an average of \$1.9 million a year. So they have been maintaining their properties, but you reach a point where you need more than maintenance. You need renovation or starting over again, and that's what we're looking at now.

SENATOR RAIKES: So again, to...the routine maintenance sort of items, shingles--if they still use shingles anymore--paint, light bulbs, carpeting, whatever, that's all the responsibility of the institution. This has to go beyond that?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Yes, yes.

SENATOR RAIKES: But this could, as I understand, involve