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SENATOR BEUTLER: ...kind of work.

SENATOR KREMER: So this is just the next time...the first time since that time that some more has been put in, and you're asking for double that to be put in there; is that right?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Exactly.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay, thank you very much. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR BAKER: Senators Kremer and Beutler. Senator Fischer, you're recognized to speak.

SENATOR FISCHER: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I agree with some of the comments of Senator Chambers, when he spoke of art nourishing our souls. I agree with that--art, books, music, dance--all of those things nourish our souls. They make us better people. They are important. But fellow members, that is not the issue with this amendment. I am not denying that they're important. What I'm saying is we have too much money that has been appropriated for that purpose. And Senator Beutler when he pointed out on his handout on page 108 that this is for economic development, this next \$5 million, is for economic development, once again I would challenge that. We currently in this state allow communities to tax people. One of those taxes happens to be a lodging tax. When I served on the tourism board in Cherry County, to promote tourism, we advised our commissioners on how to spend that tax that was collected as a lodging tax to promote tourism. Every time you stay in a motel or a hotel in many communities across this state, you pay that tax, and that local area in turn uses that money to promote their attractions. That's already allowed, and that's already done. People are promoting their areas. Senator Beutler spoke about Fort Robinson and Fort Kearney. I agree; those are treasures we have in this state. We should be proud of them; they're wonderful attractions. I've been to both a number of times. They're already being funded. Fort Robinson is a state park. Fort Kearney is a state historical park. They're already being funded through the Game and Parks, and people are already