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SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, while we are in the habit of voting green and feeling good tonight we have this little matter of Keya Paha County, \$5375. Senator Warner had a bill in to kill the program. This is the money which would pay half the tuition if the State Board of Education says that Keya Paha County has to pay the tuition for students that go over into South Dakota. You may have remembered this story. Anyway, the Governor vetoed this out of the bill, paltry little \$5375. This is your chance to do something for Keya Paha County and old Uncle Howard. I would ask that you override the Governor's veto on this small amount and then we will all be in a mood to go to the sine die party and home. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: A question of Senator Lamb, please. Is Keya Paha County in your district?

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, sir, it is.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB: It is a poverty stricken county up on the north edge of the state.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cullan. Is there further discussion on the motion by Senator Lamb? Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: I would like to ask Senator Lamb a question.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, sir, Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Lamb, would this county that you described as poverty stricken, would it qualify as an area that is blighted or substandard?

SENATOR LAMB: I would think that if any area in the state qualified, Keya Paha County would qualify.

SENATOR NEWELL: And in the past have you been particularly supportive of recognizing these areas that are blighted and/or substandard for special attention because of their economic difficulties or distressed?

SENATOR LAMB: My problem, Senator Newell, has been that I thought too much of the money would be siphoned off toward Keya Paha County if those programs became law.