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that million dollars there and I would certainly support the override and thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Kilgarin, did you wish to continue on? Senator Warner. Oh, there she is. Senator Kilgarin, did you wish to continue on? Was she next, Senator Warner?

SENATOR WARNER: I don't think so.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Pardon me, your light was on, Senator.

SENATOR WARNER: I am sorry. Senator Howard Peterson would briefly discuss the override pertaining to the NRD lakes.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, Senator Howard Peterson.

SENATOR H. PETERSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is item #18 on the Governor's veto message. It has to do with the NRD lakes in Nebraska. It involves the three lakes, the total veto amount was \$276,000, Willow Creek at Norfolk and Pierce, Summit Lake at Tekamah, and Oliver Reservoir out in Kimball County. These three lakes, incidentally, are new recreational facilities that have been built by the NRD's and are ready for use. The NRD's have indicated they do not have the funds to operate these lakes as recreational areas. The facilities will deteriorate without the proper maintenance, certainly somebody needs to do the maintenance. The Games and Parks says they do not have the funds for the operation of the NRD lakes without a general fund appropriation, and on top of that, I think it is important for this Legislature to know that the Game and Parks Commission did enter into a resolution with each one of these NRD's saying that they would operate the areas if the Legislature appropriated the general funds for that purpose. And since we have not told the Games and Parks not to enter into this kind of an agreement, it seems to me that we have a moral obligation at least to honor that recognition and that is the reason why we felt we ought to leave the \$276,000 in for these three areas.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Warner.