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one afternoon. Now that doesn't make me a liberal, let me tell you that. This is only good common sense and fair, and if you go along with me, justice. LB 970 simply says that Chadron and Wayne and Kearney if it is needed can offer MBA. The Governor comes in here and says it is okay, Kearney, you can have it. Wayne and Chadron, you are out, you don't have to have it. It is pretty hard for me to go out and tell my people back where I live now you can't have it up there, so now when you come to pay your taxes you omit some because the Governor says you can't have that so your taxes will be cheaper. Well, that is silly, isn't it? One other thing I want to say to you to have this is only going to cost \$30,000 for three colleges. It is 32 for Chardon, 24 for Kearney, 30 for Wayne, that is \$96,000 but you must remember that we are deducting \$57,000 from the University of Nebraska. So in essence all it is going to cost is \$38,449 for all three programs for all three state colleges. I have not worked this on the floor as I generally do because I look around here and I think surely there is 30 Senators who are fair enough with me to say that if Kearney is well enough to have an MBA program, you know it kind of reminds me of this morning when Senator Chambers said about the heavy hitters or something about the language, the heavyweights. For instance, state colleges are lightweights. I don't have to tell you who the heavyweight is and they are kind of stepping on the lightweights. I ask you to go along with me and override the Governor's veto on Chadron and Wayne State College. Thank you.

SENATOR KAHLE: Senator Scofield.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I will not belabor this point either. This is a relatively small figure. I think it is important and I would like to just remind you that we do have a special committee that has been formed that is to meet this summer with all of the various institutions. My goal has been and still is statewide access to an MBA program at the lowest possible cost to the taxpayer. I think this is a relatively small amount of money and I think we are a lot more likely to see Wayne and Chadron and the other institutions sit down and do the kind of genuine negotiating and planning and