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improvement projects would be retained according to the bill as introduced. A new Section 3 of the bill would require that prior to its consideration of the Hoyt Science Hall renovation and addition project proposal, according to law, the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education would be required to undertake and complete a study relating to Peru State College. The committee amendments outline elements to be included in this study, the findings of which are to be reported to the Governor and Legislature not later than December 1, 1998. The committee amendments additionally would appropriate \$60,000 from the General Fund to the Coordinating Commission to support expenses incurred in conducting the required study. That is a summary of what this bill does. There is some details. I think Senator Brown will present those. If you want to know the details of that, I have to...mainly because I gave her the copy of the amendment at this point. But what it does is appropriate \$60,000 to make the study and I will let her go into those details, but that constitutes the committee amendments.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wehrbein, yours is the next light on.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I will...I...because I was speaking before as committee chair, so there will be no confusion as we move forward with this, I have my own bill, LB 976, that proposes...purports to do a study completed in December to relocate Peru State College to Nebraska City. My intention is at this point to move to amend that to our mainline appropriations bill, which comes up next week. That will be 1108. So for those of you that are wondering the setup, that is the intention of me...that's my intention, to put that issue before you next week against the mainline bill, 1108. It was my priority bill. This is, I feel, the best way to handle it, to make an amendment to LB 1108, when it comes up as part of the appropriations discussions, and in that, I will have a study that will propose 60...70 thousand dollars, and the 60,000, that's the same as this one, to look at the future of Peru State campus, and my proposal would, of course, look at the relocation possibility. But those will be the two options, that's my intent to have laid out before you. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Brown.