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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Please proceed.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Members of the Legislature, I'd like you to meet the newest member of the Nebraska Legislature, the representative from the 18th District, Robert L. Dickey. Bob is right here and if Senator Schmitt will give him just half a chance. (Laughter) Senator Schmitt is not our newest member. I'd like to present to you Robert L. Dickey, the newest member of the Nebraska Legislature. (Applause) Bob also has with him this afternoon his wife, Mary. Mary, would you please stand. His...(applause)...he also has his children: June, she is a junior at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln; Jim, who's a senior at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln; and an older daughter, Julie, who is not here but is a graduate of the university; and also Bob's mother, Marguerite Dickey. Marguerite, would you please stand. (Applause) For those of you expecting Senator Dickey to vote for you today, you're not going to get that chance. Tomorrow morning he will be with us and join debate and will participate at that point in time, but we wanted to come down, introduce him to all of you today. He'll be here for a few minutes underneath the balcony. You'll get a chance to say "hello" and then tomorrow morning you'll see a new name on the board and a new seat up front. So thank you very much and, Senator Dickey, welcome to the Nebraska Unicameral.

SENATOR DICKEY: Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Welcome, Senator Dickey. For further discussion, Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, members in the Legislature, I do have to note that this may be the first time that Senator Chambers has stood up on a Brown amendment to say that he supports it, and so I thought it was an occasion worth noting. As to the figures that we talked about before, I want to make it clear that the \$3.8 million that we are talking about right now is the amount in the second year of the biennium that will be the ongoing cost of operations of the facility, so that would be an amount that would be available if we wanted to redirect the money to another purpose on an ongoing basis. The other amounts that Senator Chambers and I talked about were construction costs