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the essence of...I guess that was the amendment that we did in committee which you have here, and I'm trying to remember, there's...guess there's no...is there an amendment on this? Yes. That will be the essence of the amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Would you like to open on the amendment or...? (AM2635, Legislative Journal page 974.)

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: In essence, I already did that because it lowered that from 35 to 25 million dollars. And maybe...it's a little ahead of the yellow sheet, the copy we sent out of the budget that you have there, but if you want to look on page 3, the General Fund financial status, this is where that shows up. On the line 33, where there's \$13,769,306, we call that above the line. That's above the minimum reserve. That's the money that's available for A bills, if you will, or for this body to spend. In order to arrive...to have \$10 million or the \$13 million, \$10 million of that came from this property tax relief fund transfer. And so, once again, we lowered that \$35 million to \$25 million which allowed then \$10 million to show up here on the yellow sheet. The \$30 million to community colleges, as proposed by the Governor, is still intact. And, if you want to understand, we could have gone at it I guess three ways: one, we could have left only \$3 million here for A bills; secondly, we could have reduced the Community College Fund from 30 to 20 million dollars; or, as in...instead the committee did lower the property tax relief fund from \$35 million to \$25 million and left it in the General Fund. So that is the heart and soul of this committee amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. For debate on the committee amendments to LB 1214, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would like to ask Senator Wehrbein maybe an open-ended question, if he will yield.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Wehrbein, I've listened to everything that you said. This is my first look at the bill so could