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SENATOR WHITNEY: Yes.

SENATOR SAVAGE: Senator Whitney, what does this do to the fringe benefits that were awarded to the University of Nebraska, at Omaha, faculty under the terms of the merger, does that wipe out those benefits?

SENATOR WHITNEY: I would say no it does not wipe out their benefits. The University of Nebraska, at Omaha, and at Lincoln, have agreed to work toward a package of fringe benefits and salaries that will be comparable, and it has the approval it's my understanding of the faculty at the University of Omaha, University of Nebraska at Omaha, and the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. They are willing to go along with this and now if they are not willing in certain aspects of it, they have a right to come to the public hearing and to present their views and this bill could be amended.

SENATOR SAVAGE: Thank you.

SPEAKER: The Chair next recognizes Senator Barnett, then Senator Fred Carstens.

SENATOR BARNETT: I was going to call for a question, I'll yield to Senator Carstens.

SPEAKER: Senator Fred Carstens. We're speaking still, on just the introduction of the bill.

SENATOR CARSTENS: That's right. Mr. President and members of the legislature. I don't, I'm not going to prolong this, very briefly I want to say that we had quite a discussion yesterday, over the raising of, or doing away with the limits on the health director, and the course of this discussion, we meant to talk about the high turn over of the employees in the state under the seven thousand dollar level, now one of the reasons I already yesterday, is not the much the seven thousand or less salary, it's the total lack of fringe benefits that go with it, and this bill, I don't know all the ramifications of it, and I don't, frankly I don't know the detailed contents of it, but I

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