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I think, that the city of Lincoln will...that the interest received from the reinvested funds by the city of Lincoln shall occur to the State Building Commission. Then, this part of the amendment works fine.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: I can say to you that that was what this was intended to do. This was passed by bond attorneys for checking to make sure that it would do that, but if you do not feel that it specifically spells it out enough, you go right ahead and amend it.

SENATOR DUIS: I have no reason to do that except that I don't know of any agreement. See, there may be an agreement that has been reached between the Building Commission and the city of Lincoln. Now, I certainly want to let this go right ahead without fooling with it but would you do this for me. Would you ask the Building Commission if they have a written agreement with the City of Lincoln that that interest will occur to them.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: We certainly shall.

SENATOR DUIS: I thank you.

SPEAKER: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Well, only to say that I support the Carpenter amendment. We have been assured that the plans that have been in existence now for several years would be useable to a large extent, and I would like to ask Senator Carpenter a question. Senator Carpenter, in your proposed amendment on the back of sheet where you propose your amendment, would you object to changing the word "or" to "and". In other words, the Legislature, properly represented by the Executive Committee who will represent the Legislature, should have something to say about the interior construction of the building. Now, the commission or the Legislature and I would think maybe the Legislature could very well work with the Commission in arranging the interior of this building. You notice on the back of....

SENATOR CARPENTER: I have no objection to that. We are only talking about the designing of the interior of the building.

SENATOR KREMER: That's right.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I have no objection. May I say this while I am on my feet, probably this amendment is a highly technical amendment. It was brought about as a result of a discussion that I had offered an amendment for Senator Kremer's committee in order to be sure that we were able to expedite the construction of this building if that is what this body wants to do, and I would see no reason why that shouldn't be changed. Now, while I am standing on my feet, it was discussed in the Committee and I think this is now going on, they are attempting now to get a commitment from the people who would buy these bonds in order to take advantage of the interest rates as they may now prevail and not tomorrow in order to see if they can't stabilize the rate of interest. I would presume that the Building Commission has all the responsibility of determining the fairness of all the financial things that happen as a result of the construction of this building. This thing is entirely under the...as I can understand...read the bill and the amendment...is entirely under the jurisdiction and the responsibility of the Building Commission which is the Governor's (inaudible) and the State Engineer, and three other people. We only get into the picture when they come to the designation and designing of the interior in so far as the offices themselves are concerned. Up to that point, it's entirely the responsibility of the Governor of the state of Nebraska. And I would presume further and it's only presumption, that's the