

if the rest of the members will vote for operational budgets that will adequately serve this State, I'll vote for this building, I'm not trying to oppose this building but I would like to suggest we set our house in order and do first things first; namely, put the people ahead of buildings, all buildings.

SPEAKER: There is a motion on the desk to adjourn. I'm going to hold that until Senator Luedtke has an opportunity to respond. I hope you will keep it as brief as possible, Senator. Senator Luedtke.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: I'll keep it brief. Mr. President, I would oppose the motion for the basic reason that if we are going to build a state office building, it is essential, because of bonding rates, that we get this thing through this Legislature and get the Governor to sign it. The Governor has assured me that with the type of amendments we have on this bill now that he will sign it; that he has been convinced that it is the economical move to make. It has absolutely nothing whatsoever to do with the operating budget of the State of Nebraska, Senator Stahmer notwithstanding. It does not because it is, has been designed specifically to follow through with the cigarette tax fund which puts it directly into a building fund. It, it will not affect the operating budget of this State and it would not and could not, until after we have dedicated the building.

SPEAKER: Are you ready for the question? Question is to bracket, to whatever the motion said, Senator Stahmer, do you want the motion reread?

SENATOR STAHMER: Reread the motion.

CLEERK: Motion reread.

SENATOR STAHMER: Very briefly, for Senator Luedtke's benefit, Senator Nore made an observation the other day in Budget Committee I thought was extremely appropriate. He said that the budget bill this year is like a clock without hands because we don't know where we stand because we don't know what monies we're going to be getting from Uncle Sam. The--

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