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and it's also the Chair's understanding that we weren't going to go ahead and take a vote on this until we are through discussing LB 235, which is Senator Schmit's bill, so that we can get to the discussion of that. I know that the discussion has been interrelated and has flowed back and forth between the two bills, about the two bills, so Senator Schmit do you have anything that you want to say about your particular bill, they're amendments to it, the Chair understands, and I suppose will have to be discussed, Senator Schmit. Loran. We are considering the two bills together here and I'm asking now, we are trying to move on, we've finished debating I think apparently the kill motion on 185, and so I, we are ready to take up now, 235, has the Clerk read the bill? Have we read the title? Why don't you read the title of 235.

CLERK: Title Read LB 235.

PRESIDENT: There are committee amendments?

CLERK: Yes.

PRESIDENT: Go ahead Schmit, Senator Schmit with your explanation of 235.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the legislature -

PRESIDENT: Just a minute before you begin, it would be the Chair's position, and this is difficult when you are considering two bills like this, it is a little difficult, the Chair would feel that we can't take up the amendments, you can discuss them but I don't see how we can vote on those until we dispose of 185 and what we are going to do there and what we do with the kill motion, so I'm asking you for your explanation of 235 to present your bill in relation to 185. Now that is a difficult assignment, I realize, but apparently this is the wish of the legislature, do your best.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, very briefly my bill provides for 80% of need, Senator Chambers bill is 100% need bill, mine is 80% of need. Senator Nore has mentioned the need for incentive in welfare programs, I agree. I also would, I would like to say I would like to support Senator Chambers bill in the hope it would become law, but I think again you have to recognize the practicality of the issue and that the 80% bill is a bill which has a chance of passage, I hope that perhaps some others might have something to say in that area, but I'd think again we come back to amount of dollars that are involved, and I think we recognize that if either of these bills leave the floor of this legislature, the Governor's going to have to take a long hard look at them, because it's going to be a matter of adjusting the budget over there. So I would hope that if the legislature kills LB 185, that they certainly would vote on my bill, and I would suggest I will do what Senator Carpenter has asked me to do or challenged me to do, I will provide a bill which will do exactly what I said I would do and I will set the limits, Senator Syas, that those persons in institutions which receive in excess of five thousand dollars so that it corresponds with the farmers type of legislation which is not necessarily legislative, but which is common practice, and I think that if that bill is brought into this body and it should become law, we will enjoy enough savings that we can pay the cost of Senator Chambers bill, and if we would perhaps not enact Senator Chambers bill it would enact mine, that there would be money left over. I would hope that other persons in this body would support my