

interested in the budget committee and I would move to amend the capital construction budget that we do away with the budget committee, I think that it is a farce. I think that the members of this body think that it is a farce and I think that we might as well go ahead and implement our own thinking. Let us have the guts to do what most of you think. Mainly acknowledge publicly once and for all that the budget committee is a farce. Lets spend our time on other measures that are more constructive than waste our time there month after month trying to figure out something intelligent when nobody gives a damn what it is intelligent.

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PRESIDENT: Senator Stahmer I know that you made a motion in order to make a point, so the chair can't accept your motion regarding abolition of the budget committee and this particular issue at this time for this bill on Select File. Senator Whitney, you are next to speak then Senator Snyder, Chambers Syas, and DeCamp.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, members of the legislature, I would like to tell just a little bit how the budget committee functions and its desire to satisfy the capital construction budget. We ask all the different departments of state government, the University of Nebraska, the State Colleges and all of them to come in and offer their recommendations, what they want. Then we ask them for their priorities and then after considering their priorities then we make tentative decisions and then we go back and let these people come in again. If they have some objections to the original decisions. Finally we make the decisions as to what to do. In my judgment the appropriations committee put on plenty for capital construction, far more than we normally do. Normally we only spend about 12 million dollars a year for capital construction. The budget committee has recommended more than that, far more than that. Unfortunately I was not here the day that all of these things were put on. Then you had a tie vote to take all of these off. Had I been here you would not have had all of these on because I would have voted with Senator Proud and I would have voted earlier to discontinue all of these amendments. Now lets take the correctional institutions as far as that is concerned. I know that Senator Luedtke is very much interested in this, but we decided what to do for the first year and we felt that studies should be made on the rest of it and that we were going to start spending as fast as we could and then go ahead. We are going to be back here in January we can pass a bill in a hurry if we need too, and so we can even take care of that. I am interested in inflation. Now we say that we have got to start building in a hurry, and we have got to double our building and we have to spend say 45 million where normally we spend 12 million in a hurry because it might have inflation. I say that this is what creates inflation. All state governments, all county governments, individual think that we have got to hurry up and do this or we will have more inflation. Well this is what creates inflation. We should not be creating inflation. We should not be setting an example for private enterprise to do all of these things. We should try and hold our spending down to a normal situation so that we won't have inflation in the first place, so I am going to support Senator Proud's motion.

PRESIDENT: Senator Syas, then Chambers, then DeCamp, Excuse me Senator Carpenter, for what purpose do you rise.

SENATOR CARPENTER: To ask Senator Whitney a question.