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to have it in a place that would be accessible to it. So I would support Senator Warner's bill and I don't see any need to hold it over.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members, as... I'd like to ask Senator Warner a question.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner yield?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes.

SENATOR NORE: Is there any intent of phasing out the present museum building?

SENATOR WARNER: Not, that I'm aware of. I believe Senator Nore as I understand it, there are for the State Historical who is designated by the Legislature's official storage for state documents, I can't think of the technical term, but as I understand the state archives and library would remain in that building. If you've been there lately you'll see that it is bulging at the seams so to speak with many of these items now. The purpose of the museum is primarily one of display of literally thousands of items that has been donated over the years to the Historical Society so that Nebraska's past can be appropriately displayed.

SENATOR NORE: Well, I would favor your LB707 with the provision that you would not phase out the present State Historical Building and keep it as some kind of a museum as you have indicated. And now as far as the museum for wheat, maybe we would like to have one for corn too.

PRESIDENT: Senator Duis, are you passing? Alright, Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: Well, Mr. President and members of the body, I will try to be brief again, I number one think that that Ferguson Mansion ought to be maintained, I think that it has been forgotten, but in considering this proposal for \$2½ million for a new building we already have in the State of Nebraska Building three times as big as the being proposed is standing empty waiting for people to put historical items into it. I see small reason to build a whole new building when we have something already now standing that would cost \$30 million today to build and we could take \$2½ million and fill it full of the most fantastic artifacts that you could hope to find, rather than just building another palace. And I'm referring to the Union Station Building in Omaha that was given to the City of Omaha for a historical museum, now standing empty, ready to go. Has any consideration been given to utilize an existing building rather than building a new building for history's sake, Senator Warner?

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, do you care to respond?

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Stahmer, I understand the Historical Society looked at a number of places, whether or not they looked at the sights that you mentioned, obviously I can not give you a direct answer. I can't help but kind of wonder how come when the appropriations were made for the planning that a lot of these questions were not asked. You know a year ago or two years ago, but I think the essential, one of the arguments or rather one of the factors that the Historical Society took into account is that generally around the country it was their information to me that historical museums are located in the environs of the capitol buildings