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I have a request on the ETV Budget, but I'd like him to finish first. The explanation of that. The ETV section.

PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Marvel.

SENATOR MARVEL: Why don't you go ahead Senator Fowler, it's all right.

SENATOR FOWLER: O.K., well I was wondering the 50,000 local programing. Do you want me to..I was wondering exact..if that included this programing and I have little idea of T.V. work, but I was wondering what 50,000 really could provide for this state.

SENATOR MARVEL: I don't know whether Senator Stahmer is in the room or not. This was his amendment. I'll..since he isn't here I'll do my best to explain it. Senator Stahmer felt that that there ought to be incorporated in the production area, as far as ETV is concerned some specific programs which would attempt to educate the general public on the assets on the State of Nebraska rather than simply have programs which originate outside the state, that there were some natural and cultural resources of the state that ought to be accentuated. And you do this basically by using public resources such as educational television to try to impress upon the not only students, but also adults, some of the benefits derived from living in the State of Nebraska. This is over and above what Senator Maresh had in regard to this program which pinpointed State Government.

SENATOR FOWLER: O.K., now I have no disagreement with the merits, I was just wondering about what terms of T.V. programing \$50,000 could provide. I guess I have a question of it's adequacy, and maybe I should wait for Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR MARVEL: Well, it's supposed to take care of 10 programs to start with. If these ten programs are successful and get response I assume that this program would be carried on in future years. This is an attempt on our part to try to beef up that area and see how it works and if it's successful then we can move from there.

SENATOR FOWLER: O.K., then there's a reference to a mobile color unit. Now is the money appropriated in there to purchase-that or is money just being set aside to do that?

PRESIDENT: Stand by, Senator Carpenter they are finding an answer for Senator Fowler, whether they.. Do..

SENATOR MARVEL: Yes, sir. According to page 30, line 7 through 11 they are in the process of ordering this and the language is set up in there to read that this money is reappropriated for that purpose.

SENATOR FOWLER: O.K., so we are funding then the amount of money they need to purchase a mobile color unit here.

SENATOR MARVEL: Yes, sir. That is my understanding.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.