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half we will have left will be more than enough to meet any shrinkage in enrollments that they might have in the school of blind, deaf or Beatrice. So it's not possible that they would have a 50% reduction in their enrollments.

SENATOR BARNETT: What we're saying is that this excrow is just getting too big. We've got a place to use it.

SENATOR STAHMER: Well that's right, we have a really bigger reserve than we really needed.

SENATOR BARNETT: I would certainly support the amendment under those conditions.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion. I presume, Senator Stahmer you waive. You can close if you want to. He waives the closing. All those in favor of the Stahmer amendment vote aye. All those opposed vote not. This requires 25 votes. Still voting on the Stahmer amendment of 1054. Have you all voted. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, no nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted. Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: Now, one other thing, I'm sorry I apologize. This adds money. There will be an amendment offered to 1053 that will be the other half of this bill, since we have two operating budgets. That will decrease the cash fund reserve in 1053, and I will offer that motion tomorrow, or whenever we get on Final Reading to 1053, and reduce some of the amounts shown. Otherwise, this would be an increase, and that's my intent. And it would just take one amendment to take 1053 and back and make some minor changes in it, and then the two bills will be copacetic.

CLERK: Mr. President, there is another amendment by Senator Stahmer. (read)

PRESIDENT: Senator Stahmer.

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PRESIDENT: Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR Stahmer: Mr. President, and members of the body. Very quickly, I'm not going to bleed on this motion one way or another. I received about 50 letters from people in the Ag College Campus suggesting that there is some discrepancies in their salaries. I received a letter from Chancellor Zumberge to the extent that he feels that he could take \$250,000 of his discretionary funds to utilize for equalization of salaries. But I think the intent of the budget committee was that this $\frac{1}{2}$ for merit pay be indeed that to allow merit increases for good professors. So in essence rather than to eat up the monies that would be allocated by this $\frac{1}{2}$ discretionary fund, that I think were intended for merit raises. This would allow the Board of Regents, at their discretion, solely for the purpose of making salary adjustments between campuses, where there are professors in one area not