

to the location of the...or the relocated cafeteria when that is completed. There is \$196,000 included for the completion of the work at the state laboratory which will include a renovation of the basement area, provide additional space in the building and also permitting the Department of Economic Development that is currently located at the Game Commission be moved into this space making that needed space for the Game Commission. One other item is \$8,000 for replacing some of the fabrics and carpet in the Governors Mansion and the last major item is one of seven million dollars to be appropriated to LB 309 or for the deferred maintenance program's of a variety of state buildings. This will be the second year as you know that the deferred maintenance program as I recall, they would still have about 19 million dollars left in deferred maintenance following this year, or was it 12 million? Well anyway that deferred maintenance program to be completed would need to run about two more years at this dollar level if the original intent of bringing up all buildings is to be completed. But the seven million dollar figure is an amount that the agency feels, the maximum amount that could be expended on buildings this year. The final item deals with the Department of Economic Development which is the construction of the Nebraska Information Center in Omaha adjacent to the Interstate requires a 15,000 of state funds this year 46,000 of federal funds and then next year a 147,000 of state funds and 441,000 of federal funds bringing the total for that structure about \$650,000. Those are the items included in the capital construction budget, Mr. President, and I'll be glad to respond to questions. There is one other point that I should indicate and now I speak on my own, not as the chairman of the committee. I am not a signer on LB 594, I have no objections to the projects the committee can only be commended for the level of appropriations recommended this year as it is totally within the guidelines. I personally have a concern about the dollar amount of appropriations that we are committing ourselves to next year and the following year in the amount indicated that some 23 million dollars with the reaffirmation of other construction authorized prior to this session and with the potential of some additional money over and above that, I do not personally support the bill. However, I also strongly believe that the majority, the overwhelming majority of the committee is in support of the bill and I certainly believe and support their effort to have it considered by the body and be advanced by the body if you are in concurrence with their recommendations. Again I would repeat when it comes to capital construction there probably is no project that you can say is unneeded or undesirable. It is always a very difficult problem to arrive at priority for construction, particularly when you