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the proportionate share of the total tax that they could raise would be between the two counties based on the total valuation.

SENATOR KAHLE: I assume though they would use the lower valuation on the higher county rather than the other way around.

SENATOR WARNER: Yes. Well they have the option to I guess go, yes, I am sure that is most likely.

SENATOR KAHLE: Then the other question I wanted to ask you, in the appropriations last year a certain amount of money was appropriated for Western or Scottsbluff and is there such an appropriation this year?

SENATOR WARNER: No, the bill that was enacted and the number slips my mind, was to be in effect for one year and one year only. Now there is a total dollar amount in this year's appropriation between 487 and LB 591 that would accomplish the same thing that would have been accomplished had that bill been in effect another year, however.

SENATOR KAHLE: Okay, so they do get an extra amount of money?

SENATOR WARNER: Well, not based on the formula I do not believe. Not the new formula, just enough money so that they do, under the old formula, get additional funds or an amount equal to what they had.

SENATOR KAHLE: Okay, thank you. Now, Senator Koch, could you enlighten us a little bit more on those questions that I asked Senator Warner?

SENATOR KOCH: Senator Kahle, Senator Warner was correct in terms of the constitutional amendment. That is 1981 though which really keeps Western in a bind until such time and secondly, we passed LB 803 last year which gave to the Western Technical Community College, I think it was \$218,000 because of justified financial need and that was just a one year shot only.

SENATOR KAHLE: I don't want to take up much time but would you object, and I believe you mentioned in your statements before that perhaps there could be a sunset provision in this and I would strongly urge that this be done. Then I think we would be able to move along and