

University of Nebraska, then what about the other entities in the State of Nebraska? Does this then rub off on the others and does it require additional expenditures to fund those unfunded liabilities, as they are called so often, in the cities, in the counties, in the school systems in our state and other public entities? It bothers me. We would be into a half million dollars to fund this next year. I don't know what the funding requirements would need to be the following year, but this bothers me. I oppose LB 290.

PRESIDENT: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, this is what you can call a Pandora's Box bill. It opens the door and the pearly gates. If we pass this bill this year, next year it will be the state colleges. They will say, hey, you fellas, you gave it to the University of Nebraska, you've got to give it to us. Then the tech colleges will be in and they'll say, hey University...you give it to University, you gave it to the state colleges, you've got to give it to us. Then UN-O is going to come in. Pretty soon we're up to a million and a half or so bucks. But we're starting out with a little \$500,000. So I would say to this body do not support this bill. If you want to be fair, as Senator Harris said, then give it to everybody. Come in with a \$1.5 million fiscal note and give it to everybody. That is being fair. Don't use the fairness when you are only picking out one segment. But I'm telling you now if you pass this bill they are going to come back and what is your defense going to be for not giving it to them then. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Smith, you have the floor.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, I'd like to ask a couple of questions of Senator Smith (sic), if I might. Senator Harris, didn't I say Senator Harris? Oh, I mean Senator Harris, not me.

SENATOR HARRIS: Yes.

SENATOR SMITH: Senator Harris, I may not have heard everything that you said. Did you tell us, by adding their retirement and social security benefits, what their average check amounts to or their income for a month?