

Senator Warner, the bill, as you just explained it, could you highlight for me any of the new capital construction that has actually not been started yet, has been authorized in the past but has not been started? Are there such new capital construction projects?

SENATOR WARNER: In the reaffirmation?

SENATOR VICKERS: In 723. In other words, the center at Chadron, the activities center, is already under construction, is that not correct?

SENATOR WARNER: That is correct.

SENATOR VICKERS: Are there other places that have been authorized like that that actually have not started construction?

SENATOR WARNER: The only two projects that I believe would fit your description would be the animal science building on the East Campus. As I recall, the contract bids were opened about...within the last three weeks. But I do not believe those are signed yet, although I'm not positive. The performing arts center at UNL would not have been commenced with actual construction. I'm not sure if the building is actually started at UN-O. I know that much of the work is in progress. It seems to me the building is started, but I'm not absolutely positive.

SENATOR VICKERS: Okay, one other question. The activities center at Chadron, on the bill, on page 9, there is a section that talks about additional equipment that the State College Board of Trustees can transfer to the existing Chadron activities center. It also says that that transfer shall increase the total project cost by the amount transferred. Now is that...what is that saying?

SENATOR WARNER: In the case of the Chadron activities center, in that particular instance the bids came in substantially under, for construction only, than what was anticipated. So there were a number of alternatives looked at as to what would be the appropriate use of those funds. What we finally came down to recommend was to give some discretion to the board of trustees for a variety of projects that could be funded from those additional monies. Included in that was the drainage program...a drainage