

now have pending, the first amendment I have this morning, Mr. President, is one by Senator Vickers. Senator Vickers would move to amend 722. His amendment is on page 2130 of the Journal.

SPEAKER NICHOL PRESIDING

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vickers, if I may just include a word here before you begin, we're on Select File on appropriation bills. I'd like to have your attention for just a moment. We're going to stay on appropriation bills all day today if necessary and I think it will be and if we don't get through we'll stay on appropriations tomorrow. I want to warn you again, just in the way of where we are and tomorrow panic strikes because you'll see a single digit up here and that always triggers panic and rightfully so. Because what I am saying to you is that if you want any more General File we'd better be getting at it this week. Now we're a little behind on appropriations because of the shortfall and so forth so it's nobody's fault, but we must stick on appropriations so we can get them over to the Governor's Office so that he has adequate time to get them back to us. So what I am saying is to you, debate as much as you like, but keep it as concise as you can. Okay? Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you for those words of wisdom and I'll try to be very brief and concise. This is an issue that I think most of you know, most of you understand. It's certainly not a new one before us. The amendment that I am offering takes \$139,980 out of the budget and those dollars that I'm taking out are dollars that are used right now for the planning funds for the Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. They are the dollars that have added up to that 572 or 82 thousand, whatever it is, that we've already expended that we talked about here a week or so ago when LB 204 was before us. These are the dollars that we simply do not need to spend anymore. In my opinion we don't need to pay \$140,000 a year simply to plan something that probably in all probability is not going to happen unless we really seriously set up some mechanism with an existing school that we have not as of yet done and we don't need to pay that \$140,000 to just talk to our neighbors. As I say, it's not something that's new to this body. It's not something that has been before us very few times, it's been here a lot of times. I might just add