

requests. This is the first of the four requests. When we are ultimately going to vote, if we vote green, it will be to affect the kind of cut that the Appropriations Committee has recommended with respect to the voc-tech schools. There has been no withdrawal of any amendment, Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, we were a little confused down here, Mr. Speaker. I understand Senator Nichol withdrew some other separate amendment.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Okay.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I would like to speak to the adoption, then, of Senator Warner's proposal and once again simply to encourage you to treat the technical community colleges as you treat all other agencies. Now everybody is going to have a story and maybe it will come along some place along the line that it is a good story and something that should really be seriously listened to, but if you allow some of these things to start happening and some of the agencies to be treated differently than others, then we are going to see an awful lot of amendments up here. Now Senator Nichol indicated that 1.5 isn't much of an increase for the technical community colleges and that the university is doing better. Well, I think before all is said and done, the university is probably not going to do better, and as far as I can see in terms of what Senator Warner has put together and we have gone over the list pretty carefully, he has been pretty fair-minded with regard to how he has treated all these different entities. One percent came out of state aid but you will notice that a considerable amount of money also came out of state operations and also the university. So before you go cutting out little bits and pieces, take a look at the overall package, take a look at what Senator Warner has put together, and in my opinion, it is all worth keeping together unless there is some information that individuals have on these specific situations but the information presented by Senator Nichol didn't seem to me to be sufficient to cause us to treat the technical community colleges differently from the other entities.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Senator Carsten, please.

SENATOR CARSTEN: I have an amendment up there also, don't I, Pat?