

sounds like to me. We are having hard times but we are going to spend some more money. Thank you, Madam President.

SENATOR MARSH: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, again, to clarify, if this bill is not passed, we will have to increase the appropriation by \$9.5 million. These are two facilities authorized last year, currently under contract, and the state has the obligation to complete those facilities. The purpose of the bill is to spread out over the cost of those two facilities over a five-year period rather than paying cash for two years. As I indicated earlier, it will require interest rates assumed not to exceed 3.4 million over the cash cost by doing it, but the alternative is to increase the current budget by \$9.5 million to meet the contractual obligation that the state has on the Life Science Building at UN-O and the Animal Science Building at the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

SENATOR MARSH: Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, I would like to ask Senator Warner, what are the provisions in the bill in reference to the Lied Center. Would you explain that for us, please.

SENATOR WARNER: The authorization for, as I mentioned earlier, of using the facilities corporation which is the vehicle that is used primarily for the issuance of bonds would also apply to authorization of the facilities corporation for those bonds but there is no tax funds authorized in the bill for the retirement of that debt. That is to facilitate.. because many of the pledges may be over a longer period of time, that is to facilitate construction but does not involve any tax funds in terms of the bond.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Are the state funds for the Lied Center included in LB 1252?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes, there is, as authorized last year, it would be in the reaffirmation and the '86-87 General Fund amount is \$350,000.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you, Senator.