

of the reasons, for example, is that we do have by statute mandated scholarships, war widows...or war orphans, for example; the reserve; others that are mandated by statute to have a scholarship in effect or tuition reduction. So, obviously, those should not be counted. We do have some on ability. As a matter of state policy, we have had legislation for gifted students that Senator Landis has proposed in the past. We recognize the need, desirability of recognizing ability. A portion of these scholarships that are granted also, and particularly in postsecondary and particularly in graduate programs, go to research assistance and those kinds of grants that are normal and typical, not only to public institutions but in a private institution as well if they have those kind of degrees which are offered. But if you look at the real issue and that is the percent in total, all funds, to go for need, then all but one of the public institutions exceed 80 percent of all funds, state and federal, are allocated based on need, which is a substantial amount. But then that leaves the final issue, what is need? And this is where it becomes significantly different. We all stand and say, well, we should help the student who is in need. But need by the current law is based upon the cost of tuition, room and board, fees and other expenses that the Coordinating Commission may include in the rules and regulations. And by the very nature of that definition, if the tuition, as is the case with the independent colleges running full...well, anywhere from...

PRESIDENT: One minute, Senator.

SENATOR WARNER: ...1500 up to a high of 6,000 a year, nearly 6,000...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR WARNER: ...obviously, the same student has a...have a created need going to an independent institution where there would not be a need at the public institution for the simple fact of the difference in tuition. Then there is one other thing that was discussed yesterday. The first priority under the scholarship system is to full-time students. Now, yesterday we spent a lot of time with the National Guard discussion on scholarships because it was important to provide something for part-time students that a great many people and students, particularly those that are nontraditional are going to have to be part time because they have to work. But the by the very statute under which these funds are to be distributed, the