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responsibilities to help us educate people who need higher education in this country, or who desire higher education in this country. But this certainly doesn't solve the problem. It is an inappropriate way to address it. The formula is skewed in such a way that it will result in a major shift from public institutions to private institutions. Kill the bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Morehead. May we have order in the Chamber, please. Senator Morehead.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Mr. President, members of the body, I, too, rise in support of the kill motion. That is not a popular thing to do when you are talking about individual students. I think that our private institutions serve a very fine purpose as far as education in the State of Nebraska. And I realize that they are having a struggle with monies just as we, as state entities, are having a struggle with monies. But this is no time, as has been pointed out ahead of me, to start this kind of a program. I have a strong feeling that state tax dollars should be used to support state entities. And I think that we would be taking our state tax dollars, and we are going to be opening ourselves to the fact that some one of my taxpayers is going to come and say to me my taxpaying dollars are going to somebody who is going to an institution whose philosophy I don't like, and my monies are going to support the education of that individual and a philosophy that I don't approve of. And I think that you are going to jeopardize that argument. It is no time to be committing our dollars to a program such as this when we are struggling desperately to balance our budget without a tax increase for the people of the State of Nebraska within our commitments already, and the goals that we have set for economic development, and helped agriculture, as well as education, and keeping our already institutions strong. Now, I know the private institutions are at the point where they are going to hurt, but we are hurting too and we don't need to hurt ourselves by cutting our wrists and bleeding a little bit more. I think that we need to keep our state tax dollars focused toward our state obligations. Thank you. Please, please, don't advance this bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Goll.

SENATOR GOLL: Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen of the Legislature, I rise in support of the kill motion. You have, by your last vote, committed a million and a half to this scholarship program. For the last one and a half years we have