

we should override the Governor on this particular issue. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. President, I feel that I guess we find ourselves up here constantly to put in additional funding and I probably agree with Senator Schmit, the die is cast on this, but I do want you to know as we have said, we are down to \$100,000 on these funds, and I can go down through the list. What we are talking about now is Morris Creek which is diverting water out around the north edge of Grand Island. I think most all of you know the high water problem that we had. This is partially funded by city and county. This is one of the projects that will be concerned. There is a Deshler project that was pulled out. Another one is the Central Butler project. It is not using as much money, but others are a project at Humboldt, Nebraska, Rawhide Creek; flood control at Fremont, Nebraska; Antelope Creek; South Fork at Pawnee City; the Ogallala flood, and if they are not given some of these ongoing money, next year without a doubt we will have to come in for a million dollars if you want any water projects in the state. Another one is the Elkhorn River Project, Ainsworth, Skull Creek. Warm Slough at Grand Island will be coming up. Weeping Water, and I think that as a state, such a minimal amount, we don't have a group down here lobbying for water like we do education, social services, and business, and so on, and it is only prudent that we do continue this funding. That is all the time I am going to take and I want you to know what projects we are talking about.

PRESIDENT: Senator Johnson or Schmit, do you want to close?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, Mr. President and members, I appreciate those who have spoken in support of the motion. I appreciate Senator Warner's remarks and I know he is sincere when he refers to the fact that the budget is so thin in this area that there must be funds placed there next year. I want to point out also that I have heard it many times, notwithstanding the good intentions of Senator Warner and other members of this body, when the going gets tough, you always take it away from Natural Resources, from that entity where there is no real constituency. There is no one to protect it, no one to argue, no one to lobby. It is kind of a strange situation, not even the rural area legislators get much pressure from the rural lobbyist. I really don't look at it that way. Certainly the urban legislators receive very little pressure. As I said before, two or three