

funds that could be utilized for a purpose that are presently called cash funds. I did a little research and according to the document which I handed out to you several days ago I discovered that there were some cash funds totalling about \$18 million. I know that there are some legitimate needs for those funds and I am sure that many of those dollars are, in effect, obligated if not otherwise not available, but in order to find out just where they are I have an amendment up there which will take \$1.2 million of funds from the Department of Banking and \$1.2 million worth of funds from the Department of Insurance for a total of \$2.4 million and we will take those from the budget. And then in order to be somewhat fair and create a little additional excitement the amendment also returns to the budget about a million and half dollars that was formerly taken away from the University of Nebraska which means you have a net gain of about \$900,000. I guess I'm at a loss because I've discussed this at some length with some of those individuals who are normally interested in university budget procedures. They didn't seem to have any great big interest in it and so it tells me one of two things, either they are confident that they will get the funds they needed restored from other means or else they don't really have any great burning need anyway. But I would like to ask Senator Warner a question if he would, please, ask him to explain, if he would, for us the cash funds that we have listed on that little document, explain to us why they are there and if, in fact, they need to be kept intact or if, in fact, they are available for budget reductions at this time, because if you do not even touch the Game and Parks Fund which I am somewhat loathe to do, there is still about \$12 million which could be available. And, Senator Warner, would you like to comment on my amendment, please?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Senator Warner, would you respond, please.

SENATOR WARNER: Sure. First, Senator Schmit, are you asking me to respond to all the funds on this first sheet or just the million two item, the two million two items? (inaudible)

SENATOR SCHMIT: I'd prefer that you just respond to the million two from Banking and the million two from Insurance because I understand that Aeronautics and some of the rest of them might have some federal funds and might have some limitation, limiting factors. Maybe the rest of them do also, but I'd like to have you explain those to us if you could.

SENATOR WARNER: Sure. The two funds that Senator Schmit is