

same pot, they're all a brother on that way, but, two, on this particular thing, there are other things that were not funded in the dollar amounts we've given to date, and other things just like in this request. I mean, once again, things that were not funded that are just like Senator Coordsen's, Senator Hall, Senator Chizek amendment, are the University of Nebraska at Kearney. They also need a technician and operating expenses, which is 25, 35 thousand dollars each year. And so if you're going to do this, really ought to do that one. It's more of the same. And then there's other one-time equipment costs of also 151,000 dollars. And so it's one of those things where if you do this for Mid-Plains and Western, which I...would be nice, obviously, how are you going to say "no" to Kearney and the other people that have exactly the same request for exactly the same purpose? They need technicians and operating costs for these classrooms and, you know, it's just one of those things of where you want to draw the line, and to date we didn't fund any of them and actually the Western portion of this request was never in the Med Center's request. Was never in there. Now there are some...I know I'm well aware of some needs out at Western for this type of satellite classroom, but, you know, to piggyback it on RHEN I guess I highly question. And, once again, if you're going to fund this request and Senator Coordsen's, the logical next amendment would be to fund the same exact same request for exactly the same purpose at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, which would increase the amount. And so it's just one of those things that where do you want to draw the line. I think we've drawn the line thus far. We know we did not fully fund the RHEN request. We've given adequate money to date to get that program at least started, and I think if you adopt this amendment, then you need to actually go further if you're concerned about being fair to everyone.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Bernard-Stevens, followed Senator Hillman.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Madam President. Just a couple points on...actually, it's more of an explanation of a vote I think than anything. On this particular amendment I'm going to be voting no, and a lot of people will say, way a minute, what happened to that parochial hat; this is something for Mid-Plains, a community college in your area and it's something that they need, and all of those good arguments. Actually, there are two things that explain the vote, the reason I'm voting no, and the first one, I think is the most important,