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SENATOR CONWAY: ...\$500 cap on. A \$500 cap for a student who is only taking and planning to take six hours a semester probably doesn't hurt him at all. A person who is more aggressively trying to achieve their degree status, it hurts them immeasurably as you put those kinds of caps on top of them. So I don't think the cap is the right way to go. I think the way the committee amendments have been developed, it gives us means to shift the burden. It doesn't put it back on who we made promises to, puts it on the university and without covering up a thing. Like I say, it is an additional cut, for all practical purposes, to the university out of their Cash Funds that they will have to absorb in their operating funds.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Conway. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Madam President, members of the body, in deference to Senator Haberman, I will try to be very brief. Senator Chambers, I think if you and I got to make the decision on whether we would have ever had Desert Storm or not, we probably would be in agreement. I don't think that's the issue here. You know, there's an old saying that a rose by any other name is still a rose and I think you can call it bribery, or I think you can call it inducement, or I think you can call it commitment, and in this sense I think they all mean the same thing. I think it would be a really bad message to send to some of these young people that Nebraska doesn't stand behind its obligations, because I think we made an obligation to those young people. I think if it were one of my sons or daughters that had joined the service with that understanding, I would be very upset to know that the state wasn't going to keep that commitment. If we can keep our commitment to those who are the recipients of benefits from LB 775, and I hear over and over and over again on this floor that we should do that, then I think most surely we should keep our commitment to these young people. I think that if we don't that they will be disillusioned and if we don't, they're not as likely to keep their commitment to Nebraska. You've all heard Senator Conway's very good arguments. He's presented facts and figures. Now I would just appeal to your sense of fairness and ask for your adoption of the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, one additional point I have to make about Royko's