

20 percent of cigarette tax dollars to a cap of \$200,000 being used for cancer registry. It's a well crafted amendment. I commend the committee for having done so. It does, as Senator Warner said, put that accountability in there. We know the money will be used for the purpose of which it is intended. With that, I would urge the advancement of LB 595. Be happy to try to answer any questions I can.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Discussion?
Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: One thing I do like about this bill, at least we know how the money is go...where the money is going to be spent. But I do have some questions, Senator Lindsay. How much money now do we spend at Creighton University and the University of Nebraska Med Center for cancer research?

SENATOR LINDSAY: The total figure or the funding from cigarette tax?

SENATOR ROBINSON: Funding from state resources like cigarette tax, or General Funds too.

SENATOR LINDSAY: The one that I am familiar with, Senator Robinson, is there is a penny dedicated to the Department of Health which they deduct their administrative costs and then get grants back to the...to cancer research centers in the state which would be those two centers. And that is...so it would be whatever one cent generates, one cent of cigarette tax generates and I believe that's around 1.3 million.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Is that split between Creighton and the university, or does that all go to the university or did...maybe you said that and I missed it.

SENATOR LINDSAY: It's split. There's a formula that they have that I believe the first half goes to the University of Nebraska Medical Center...

SENATOR ROBINSON: Uh-huh.

SENATOR LINDSAY: ...and then the second half is divided through a grant process between the two.

SENATOR ROBINSON: I remember, I think it was the first year I