

putting out some money, we need to know how that money is going to be spent, where it's going, and how we can do the best job possible. I think the best thing we can do for this state is to be what I would consider good stewards in knowing how it is spent, why it's spent, and doing the best job with what we've got. And then if we need to add to, we will need to add to money. But just be, I guess, cautious in what it is you're looking at, look at the whole picture, and not be too anxious to start putting things back into this particular bill.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Hillman. Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. Once again I want to rise to support the Wesely amendment. I think there have been some comments made that there's just no place we can find these extra funds. This morning's paper stated that there was about \$500,000 put back in for Kearney, about \$250,000 to Wayne State, about \$75,000 to Chadron, about 350,000 to UNO that wasn't in the original budget. Here we're only talking about \$180,000. I know it's not very popular to probably put money for the handicapped, but it's a program that goes to individuals that cannot help themselves. Education is very important, and I'm not saying that it isn't, it needs funds. We have a lot of places that are going to need funds. The Legislative Council, you know, there's just a whole bunch of places we could find \$180,000 for this amendment. I just hate to see a program like this that would have to be cut back for some individuals that have no place else to go and nobody else to look after them except the Legislature at this time. I don't think it's that big of a sacrifice that we would be making, that we surely can find \$180,000 someplace. I really want to urge the body to support this amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I think I should clarify the illusion to Mount Olympus. I was referring to the comment that Senator Hillman and Senator Moore made about looking at the total picture, that's what I meant about them leveling everything and not looking at...not wanting us to look at the individual items that come before us. What I'm saying is that the total picture is made up of these individuals items and we must weigh the merit of the individual