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SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I'm not opposed to the resolution in fact yesterday I was disappointed in the repitty in which it was formed and the haphazardous way in which it was put together and we were asked to vote on something quickly which I was wasn't and I think that perhaps several of you were not ready to vote on it, Today were in a more perilous position and in fact I think we have some Senators out there along with Mr. Landis from North Platte and some people wanting to a make a decision and here we are not ready to make the decision. I would like to go ahead now and make the decision and not embarrass these people who are out there. I think I would suggest to Senator Simpson that perhaps communities like Sutherland, Mullen and whoever are interested would probably be in a position financially to take care of this on their own and I think that we would probably just be in a position of doing the transaction of where these people would be taken care of. I have no fear of supporting your amendment and I would like to get this and get it done so that these people can go ahead and get doctors out here. I don't know if this is the type of resolution to make changes on the...with the medical facilities in Omaha, I would be in favor of getting the resolution passed and get the thing over with so that these people could function. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Savage.

SENATOR SAVAGE: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I rise to support this resolution and urge you to correct a big mistake that we made yesterday by not passing it and I will call to your attention that the resolution says that this committee is out there for the purpose of determining whether medically qualified Vietnamese doctors wish to come to Nebraska. We ought to find that out first if they wish to come to Nebraska and then determine whether we will bring them here. I call for the question.

PRESIDENT: Are there five seconds? The question is shall debate cease. Record your vote. Shall debate cease. Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 4 nays to cease debate.

PRESIDENT: Debate ceases. Senator Simpson. Who wants to close?

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, just a short closing. I think that Senator Nichol was right. The communities are concerned and are willing to support these, but someone has to guarantee that they are going to be supported that we aren't going to bring people to Nebraska and say, well we don't want you and we leave them out on the prairie all alone with no finances. I think that the towns are going to say yes, we want a doctor and were willing to pick up at least a portion of the support until he is able to come and do the job for us. Very probably all. I have seen in the past where many times this has happened where