

practice, an equal amount of time away from their studies, and they have to be motivated. They have to be motivated in order to get their education right along with all the length of time that they spend, and I disagree somewhat with Senator Higgins, I don't think they are doing things for us. I don't think they are working for us. I think they are working for themselves, if they are motivated in the right direction. My daughter was out there running so she could get her education. That was what was motivating her and I would think if we could we should encourage that motivation. Those people that don't have the motivation, they probably wouldn't be in college at all were it not for their athletic abilities. You know we also seem to have some concerns here about injuries and what happens to people if they get hurt. Well, you know I will point out to you that again it is just not football players that get hurt occasionally. As a matter of fact, using my daughter as an example again, she cannot run now because her knees are shot. She had to have surgery on her knees after she graduated. The University didn't pay for that. I am not sure that that was something that they should have paid for.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR VICKERS: It is one of the costs that you have from participating. I would also point out that one of the, and I thought it was ironic, we got the letter a little bit ago from Senator Wagner inviting us all to the Burwell Rodeo, one of the great sports in this nation. Now maybe I am prejudiced, I think it is a great sport, rodeo, one that is unique to Nebraska, began in Nebraska, in Senator Pappas' town and those people do not get paid. Even the professionals do not get paid unless they produce and nobody, absolutely nobody pays them for their hospital care. And if anybody gets more broken bones than rodeo performers, I would like you to stand up and tell me who they are. I can attest that they are a little bit rough out there. Handling the brahma bulls is a little different even than handling Dave Rimington I can assure you. So it seems to me that the committee that I Chair examined this issue very carefully. Yes, we killed the bill but that does not mean that the issue was not raised. It does not mean that the issue was not examined, and I certainly do not think that Senator Chambers is wrong in trying to bring it at least to the attention to the body now but I do urge this body to not vote to revive this bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair has been asked to recognize Senator Howard Peterson. Is he available? Senator Howard Peterson. I will hold his turn then. Senator Marsh, did you wish to address this issue?