

the South Dakota legislators the bill hadn't been signed by the Governor, but I understand that the Governor has signed it now. So it will take effect up there in the near future. I understand that Kentucky has also passed a bill such as this. So there are other states that are passing laws such as this, and I think it would be to a great advantage in Nebraska. So I'm going to support this bill as it is amended.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time. Senator Hoagland, please.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Question.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: There has not been a single opportunity for anybody to speak on the other side of the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: That is correct. I have nine speakers and I didn't know there was anybody going to talk against it. May I see hands of those who would speak against the bill? Okay. All right. We'll go down the line and we'll eventually come to you. Senator Smith, then Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just simply rise to add my support to LB 131 and ask that it be advanced. As a new member of the Health and Human Services Committee, I supported the LB 407 process, and I feel that it was a very good process, a very good review. I am very pleased with the results of what the committee came up with. You've heard a lot of very positive testimony already. I won't add to what they've said. I just simply want to support that and ask that other members of the body would do also.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Sieck, then Senator Morehead, then Senator Chambers.

SENATOR SIECK: Mr. President, members of the body, I was going to call the question, but since Senator Chambers wants to talk, I'll say a few words. I would like to ask a question of Senator Chronister. Now if you have something in your eye, such as a piece of dirt or something like this that you'd like to get out, can the optometrist take this out?