

what they think they've done in part and in the other area of livestock. I think this is a highly important resolution, I think we ought to pay it. Now the reason I suggest Mr. Gerdes because I think of all people who know the way around Washington, no one is superior to Mr. Gerdes, plus he's a very great expert in the great field of agriculture. Now I don't mean the other four Senators need his help and advice but I think the five of them together might be more effective than we think they are and I move the resolution be adopted.

PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion on the resolution? The Chair would observe that the first thing we have to do is to suspend the rules in order to take a vote on the resolution so the first motion this morning would be to that effect. Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: I would so move.

PRESIDENT: Alright. Now, is there any further discussion of the motion to suspend the rules and vote on the resolution? We have to suspend the rules first so that's the first action. Question is shall the rules be suspended and the resolution voted on? All those in favor vote aye. all those opposed vote no. You are voting to suspend the rules in order to handle the resolution. Thank you. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, no nays, Mr. President, on motion to suspend the rules.

PRESIDENT: Alright, rules are suspended. Now the motion be in order on the resolution. Is there a need for further discussion of the resolution? Senator Carpenter, do you want to move on the resolution?

SENATOR CARPENTER: I move the resolution be adopted with the understanding if the Executive Council concurs which we meet today at 1:00, then we'll send four Senators, those who want to get--and who can get together among themselves to bring about a group of four and also that Mr. Gerdes accompany them under the same conditions. This is a--I'm not a farmer obviously, but I listen to them and I can understand their problems and I think this is something that's full of complications and the Federal Government, like we are. We, we're in a state of flux and sometimes a shift of direction might be helpful in order to help those people who I'm sure everybody here wants to help.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kremer, then Senator Burbach.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, only to say that I heartily concur what this resolution does. When we--a few of us were in Washington several weeks ago, we did receive telephone calls from Nebraska at the time the policy was changed asking to see what we could do at that time. It was impossible then to make the proper contacts although we did try to. Since getting home I have been advised that because of the change in policy that some of those that signed up early are being penalized as much as 50 to 60% and I think this is unfair. There should be a fairness about it and I think if this resolution gets any attention at all in Washington, this will be accomplished so I heartily endorse what's doing here--what we're doing here.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Burbach.

SENATOR BURBACH: Well, Mr. President and Members of the Legislature, as Senator Carpenter indicated he is not a farmer, but he has the interest of farmers and he has been approached by certain farmers and organizations to see if something could be done. Now it's a difficult assignment. It's difficult to turn the Department of Agriculture around