

going to use it for diagnostic purposes only. They're not asking for treatment. They're not qualified for treatment, and I would fight that just as well as I would support this.

SENATOR COPE: As a lay person, the inclusion that is of the amendments and the different drugs, which I certainly do not understand, I just want to be sure, and I'm asking you, and taking your word that it will not change the original bill for diagnosis only.

SENATOR CLARK: That's right. These amendments were brought up by the Medical Association. I hope everyone understands that.

SENATOR COPE: Well, I just...that's what I wanted to be sure of.

SENATOR CLARK: Yes.

SENATOR COPE: Well then, I did support it before. I continue to support it, because I truly believe that it will give better health care especially in greater Nebraska, that is where we have fewer ophthalmologists.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol, do you wish to be recognized? Senator Kremer, do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, we are talking about the amendment, are we not?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Pardon me.

SENATOR KREMER: We are talking about the Clark amendment, are we not? Rather than the bill?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Yes.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay, I wish to speak on the bill. I'll wait until then, thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Burrows, do you wish to speak to the Clark amendments to the bill?

SENATOR BURROWS: Yes, I'd like to summarize...this amendment is simply a compromise amendment that was acceptable to both the optometrists and the Medical Profession, and I don't see any problems...I can't see any problems for anyone with this particular amendment except to adopt it, and then sail along with the bill where everybody's agreeable to the general concept