

to be an improvement in the services available to the people in Nebraska for eye care. I am satisfied with the certification from the Board of Health. If they choose this exam or choose that exam or choose two exams, I rely entirely on their ability in administration and professional judgment to know who can or who cannot use topical pharmacology agents. Yes, I do support Senator Clark's amendment and I support LB 9.

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

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I rise to support Senator Clark's amendment. This has been a difficult bill. Many of us who are laymen have had difficulty in assessing the potential of this bill, and after considering it for sometime now, I believe that with Senator Clark's amendment we are in a position to offer better eye care for many of us, particularly in rural areas, and I support Senator Clark's amendment and support the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Dworak.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President and colleagues, I have no opposition to Senator Clark's amendment to strike non-surgical inserted after instruments. I would have preferred to keep in the words "only", the last part of my amendment, which would have reestablished that the optometrists are to use drugs for diagnostic purposes only but I think the record is clear on that. I feel better now that we have talked about the testing requirements. The Department of Health's involvement, I feel more comfortable with the intent of the Legislature on that and I would urge the adoption of Senator Clark's amendment to my amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are on the Clark amendment to the Dworak amendment. All those in favor of the Clark amendment vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to adopt the Clark amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Clark amendment to the Dworak amendment is passed. We now vote on the Dworak amendment as amended. Any other discussion? All those in favor of that vote aye, opposed vote no. The Dworak amendment as amended by the Clark amendment. The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the Dworak amendment.