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south balcony. Would they stand up and be recognized? They're also from Senator Hasebroock's district. Welcome to the Legislature. We also have in the south balcony forty-six 4th through 6th graders from Maxwell Public School, Maxwell, Nebraska, Senator Rumery's District, Richard Heessel, 4th Grade instructor. Would they stand and be recognized? Good morning and welcome to the Legislature. The Chair recognizes Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, I call for the question.

PRESIDENT: Do I see five hands? I see twenty-five hands or more. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries, debate ceases. Senator Kremer, you may close.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I won't be long. I would like to make a few comments relative to the statements that were made by some of the opposition. Senator Dworak very clearly said Nebraska has been dragging its feet, and that we have not done very much. Others have said the same thing. Not now, but I'll invite you to come to my office and I'll give you a list of the legislative bills that have been passed since and several years before I came to this Legislature and that's been seventeen years ago. Senator Frank Lewis, how can you say that I said that I have no interest in municipal needs? I'll give you a copy of a number of speeches that I have made and I have a file on them, both before agriculture interests, before other interests, where I said that the State of Nebraska must recognize the needs of our towns and our cities and our municipalities, and I'll show you that, Senator Lewis, and I have never, never indicated in any way that I have no interest in the municipal needs, Senator Lewis. Now, you said you would have an amendment that would take away the funds. If you want to do that, go ahead. We're all going to suffer by it, not just the farmers. Everything that happens in industry in our state in the city is related to Nebraska's basic industry which is agriculture. Now, let's have a look at the amendment. Some have said that we do not recognize all of the interests of need as related to water. Turn to Page 2 of the amendment, and I read for you, "the Public Advisory Board shall be appointed by the Natural Resources Commission no later than July the 1st, 1979. Now, the Board shall include representatives of local