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a hard look at our priorities and it seems to me that the logical thing for us to do is to vote against 357, is to support Senator Koch's motion, is to kill this bill because this bill continues to commit us to a building concept and will continue to defer the kind of action that the state does need with so many of its services and so many of its programs. It would be my hope that in coming years during the appropriational process we do take the time to rebuild our valuable institutions, to see to it that people are paid a just wage, to see to it that privation and suffering is basically put to an end as best we can and I submit that for us to begin the marriage process on a vet college bill is a bad process. In terms of priorities, we ought to reject LB 357.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp. The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I see five hands. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed no. The motion is on ceasing debate. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 9 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion is carried. Debate ceases. The Chair recognizes Senator Koch for purposes of closing on his motion.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To Senator Kremer, my good friend, and to Senator Kahle, my good friend, and to Senator Lamb, my good friend, this is not an effort to be unfair to you. I think it is important this body considers what this bill means. You say it authorizes. I say it commits. You can say we need this bill alive. I say we should not have it alive. Why should we continue to mislead the State of Montana, Wyoming, South and North Dakota and ourselves, and to my good friend, Senator Kahle, about my interest in education, yes, I do have a very sincere. If in my mind I thought that this vet college was absolutely a top priority of this state in higher education, I would be one of the first ones in the forefront leading it, but I ask Senator Kahle and Senator Kremer and Senator Lamb, who are we denying an opportunity to in terms of veterinarian college. Not really anyone providing you have the scholarship and the aptitude to be admitted. Minnesota has a few hours that they demand of our students. They are a little bit unusual but I am sure this Legislature could solve those problems. If the leadership in here were to meet with the leadership of Minnesota and talk about what we think are some unusual requirements, I am sure that