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SENATOR NICHOL: Well, may I explain that?

SENATOR KEYES: Yes, I would like to know if there is \$5,000,000.

SENATOR NICHOL: The way the bill is originally set up is a \$6,000,000 program. Now we are talking just about spraying, not about administration which is some \$58,000, something like that but the \$6,000,000 we are talking about \$2,000 federal, \$2,000 state and \$2,000...excuse me, \$2,000,000, I'm sorry, \$2,000,000 federal, \$2,000,000 state and \$2,000,000 from the ranchers.

SENATOR KEYES: Yes, okay. I knew that you...because I knew that there was three aughts on that. They don't mean much of anything until you put a number in front of them and we've got \$5,000,000 in that. I am going to support it. I always felt just a little guilty, I hope you senators on the floor of the Legislature, will listen. I always felt a little guilty when Senator Lewis and myself came in and you supported and backed us on the Hansen's Lake where Senator Bernice Labeledz lives to the tune of a hundred and some thousand dollars to put in a dam to help protect that land. I have always felt that some time I hoped that we had an obligation and a place where I could show my obligation and help western Nebraska. We also have \$1,070,000 in the fund to take care of the parks around Omaha and I appreciate you folks coming in and helping us. So I would say this, that every senator from Omaha and Douglas County and Sarpy County and eastern Nebraska that don't know what it is to fight grasshoppers and I remember fighting grasshoppers, it does seem like \$5,000,000 at a dime a grasshopper, that's fifty, that would be five hundred million grasshoppers. A fellow could almost go out and hit them with a hammer...and make...may hit with a hammer and make money, so, folks, I am going to support it. I hope that we do what Senator Nichol hopes and help this. Grasshoppers are an absolute detriment to not only rangeland but corn. Thank you ever so much.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit, then Senator Haberman, then Senator Nichol, then Senator Clark and then Senator Kahle. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, with all of that ammunition coming up I don't know if I should speak or not. I would just have to say that at this time I would have to oppose the Burrows amendment. I have read the Burrows amendment and although I sympathize with what Senator Burrows is trying to do, there is nothing in the Burrows amendment that is consistent with the