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since we are not the entity of government that prints money, inflation starts farther east than Lincoln, Nebraska, but what we are saying if we don't assist the schools through this method is that we are going to keep our hands clean. We are not going to raise our tax rates but we are going to pass all that inflation that is caused by the federal government or from other sources east of us to be carried by the property taxpayers of this state. I, for one, don't think that is fair. I would urge your adoption of this amendment to increase state aid by an additional twenty million dollars.

SENATOR CLARK PRESIDING

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I rise to explain my vote. As of about last October, I had indicated on many occasions that I was willing and would support a forty million dollar increase in the existing level of state aid and I am going to. I do not expect to do it, however, at the expense of adequate financing of state operations but since the most important thing you have in this body is your word and I said I would do this, I am going to vote for the forty million with tremendous regret because of what we have done to the state government.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Simon.

SENATOR SIMON: Are there any more lights on, Mr. President?

SENATOR CLARK: Pardon.

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SENATOR CLARK: Oh, yes.

SENATOR SIMON: I call the question.

SENATOR CLARK: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? All those in favor ceasing debate vote aye, all those opposed vote nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 2 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Vickers, do you wish to close?

SENATOR VICKERS: Very briefly, Mr. Speaker. First of all I would like to point out that I don't think this additional