

It is a meritorious program I am sure in the minds of some legislators but I would just like to call your attention to the fact that if we want to pick apart any single legislative program, it is not hard to do so. I have done it myself. I am going to criticize programs as I see fit from time to time but I think that we need to look to ourselves, members of this body, recognize our responsibility, not necessarily to the children who will attend the School of Veterinary Medicine if one is constructed but to the entire State of Nebraska and the entire region there is a lot of reasons why a School of Veterinary Medicine will serve to enhance the resources of the State of Nebraska. There is a lot of joint effort between these veterinary students and the medical students. There is a lot of research that is done in a School of Veterinary Medicine that is valuable in the area of human health. A lot of these veterinarians will never practice in the large animal field or the small animal field. They will practice in the area of health.

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left.

SENATOR SCHMIT: They will be used to guarantee the safety of the food supply of the State of Nebraska and the United States and I don't think any of us want to turn the clock back on that. No doubt, the students will be educated one way or another. As Senator Kahle has just said, the cost will be there. Nebraska has chosen a responsible course in many other areas of education. I believe this is the responsible way to go. If the body chooses to go otherwise, then so be it but I have made my choice and I stand by it. I ask for the adoption of the committee amendments.

SENATOR CLARK: The question before the House is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 245. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting aye.

SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 8 nays on adoption of committee amendments, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The committee amendments are adopted. Mr. Clerk has some things to read in.

CLERK: Mr. President, a series of items: New A bill, 115A, introduced by Senator Fowler. (Read title. See page 966 of the Legislative Journal.)

I have an explanation of vote from Senator Higgins.