

we expend for the various processes. I don't see why we should treat this any differently than we do the basic research that goes on in many of our industries and many of our universities. I would like to just touch very briefly on something that is rather a sore point with me, and that is that the basic research that develops the new industry, the new technology, the new ideas in the State of Nebraska and in the United States and in the world, I feel ought to be funded by general tax fund dollars because that is how you get unbiased research, and I think that the scientist doesn't need to worry then about slanting his research or whether his research is going to please the benefactor. But in this particular instance there hasn't been anything done for a long while. We have talked about it for a long period of time. There is very deep need for this process to be developed. I believe it can be developed. I don't think it makes any sense at all to have a three year sunset. I don't think that if Senator Beutler were a scientist, he would want to be working toward a deadline. That may be....I don't think even a lawyer wants to work toward a deadline. With my experience with lawyers, most of the time they can get a continuance and a continuance and a continuance, and stretch an issue out over a long period of time. So I would expect you and hope that you would not adopt a sunset provision. You can come in here next year if you want to and strike it. You can do that any time. We have demonstrated that many times on this floor, but it would not be in good faith in my estimation to provide a sunset. I would like to just say one more thing. There isn't anything right now that keeps any of these boards from doing exactly what we are doing by legislation. But I think that this Legislature ought to express some legislative intent and some leadership and some guidance along this area. I really fail to understand the reasoning behind Senator Beutler's amendment and I hope you would defeat it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Beutler, do you wish to close?

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, Mr. Speaker, no long closing, only to point out again that we are getting into a new area again setting up contests and funds for the development of products, and that I think we should be very cautious about the kind of limitations that we put on this type of a development because I think it is clear enough that in the future once this thing gets snowballing it will just be like tax exempt bonds in a sense. First one person will discover it, then another person will discover it, and pretty soon every year in the Legislature we will have