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priated in this bill, there is some question about the continued operation of the Eppley Institute. This would be a shame. I urge the body's support of 506.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cullan, do you wish to close?

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I appreciate all the support that has come and I appreciate Senator Warner's constructive amendments to LB 506. Senator Wesely just asked a question about what the scope of the bill now is with respect to research. The \$1.2 million which we appropriated to the Department of Health will be available for research, not only for cancer related research, but for research related to any disease or medical problem that it would be caused by smoking. There are a tremendous number of smoking related diseases and so I do not believe that is an excessive amount of money for that research. I think it really is just a start and I really hope that you will join me in advancing the bill. I would, however, have to correct Senator Hefner who urged Senator Koch to start chewing tobacco instead of smoking. Senator Dworak was recently advised by his dentist not to do that and so in light of that I wouldn't suggest Senator Koch taking that habit up either. As to why we have not increased the tax on chewing tobacco and cigars, that is something that the Revenue Committee or somebody may want to look at, but if you have as many ranchers in your district as I have in mine, that is not something you want to be involved in initiating. Thank you very much and I would urge you to advance LB 506.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to advance the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion is carried. The bill is advanced. Go ahead.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Enrolling Clerk respectfully reports she has presented to the Governor for his approval LB 74, 44, 87, 271 and 173.

Mr. President, a new A bill, LB 226A offered by Senator Haberman. (Title read.)

Mr. President, LB 483 is ready for your signature.

SPEAKER MARVEL: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I am about to sign and do sign reengrossed LB 483. We are now ready for LB 266.

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