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and the total number of those people. We can estimate generally speaking and know that there is a need, but we can't estimate specifically in answer to your question, and I wish we could.

SENATOR STONEY: Thank you. Well, I would like to make just one closing remark, that being that Senator Wesely has by his own admission advised us that we are unable at the present time to be able to estimate whether or not there will be a cost savings with this program. And for you members who have been in this body for a period of time exceeding just this year, you will know the many items that have come before us with the formation of new commissions, with the implementation of new programs, with the indication being that there will be a cost savings. And I would challenge you in nearly every case to go back and to re-view that particular commission or that program and indicate that there has indeed been a cost savings. In most cases I think you will find that the escalation in the amount spent has been tremendous and I think again to reinforce the point that I made relative to federal dollars being available, we know that those will be retracted. It's our decisions that have to be made as to whether or not the present programs that we have are to be funded here at the state level. We will grant relief, not...no relief to the citizens of the State of Nebraska if the federal government no longer provides us with funds. Our decisions will be whether we continue the programs or whether we reduce and consolidate those that we have. So I think we should look very, very carefully at any new program before it is implemented. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: I move the previous question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The previous question has been called for. Do I see five hands? Those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record the vote. Recrd the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Wesely, you are recognized to close.

SENATOR WESELY: I think we lost track of what we were discussing. It was an amendment to this bill that Senator Schmit and I offered which would indicate that educational programs would along with other local, state and federal programs