

course, you know when you go at the spur of the moment or without 30 days notice, your plane fare is much more costly and we may not want to think about the expense, but I think we had better think about the expense and the key word that Senator Vickers used in his introduction of this amendment was efficient and effective, and I think that is the key that we should be thinking about, that number that can most easily, most directly reach the kind of influence and have the kind of impact that is needed in Washington. You have had a lot of farmers drive their tractors in great numbers to Washington, D. C. That may get press and that may get quick fix promises, but I think we are looking for much more than that. We need a serious, thoughtful delegation and definitely we need the assistance of our neighboring states, our farm states, but I think it can be handled by those in this body who have the expertise, who have the knowledge, and certainly have the influence and a certain amount of power to persuade. I also want to mention the legality of state monies being spent for those in nongovernmental capacities and I direct your attention to 81-821 where rules that have been established, state officials, it refers to in traveling and in appointments in talking about intergovernmental affairs cooperation, and it says that there is a question that state money can be spent and used for the expenses of those that are not in a governmental capacity. So I urge you to support Senator Vickers and strike Section 5. Thank you.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Nichol.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I would just say this, I do not support the amendment, and especially number five, but I don't know that Senator Schmit insists on that in the passing of his amendment anyway. But I think it is interesting to listen to but certainly would not support the resolution and I think the situation as is set up now is good. I would tell you this that I visited with Senator Kerrey yesterday about this and he is going to be in Washington anyway and he would like to be supportive of it. However, as I understood him, he does not wish to get into a conversation as to exactly and specifically what we are going to be saying if and when we get to Washington. So I have no qualms about inviting the Governors. Of course, they have budgets and could pay their own way, but as far as other people, they could be invited, very much so, and I am thinking of Dan McGuire with the wheat