

fairly. But more than that, we need to treat the people of the State of Nebraska fairly. I think we can do that under this resolution. I think we need to study it. We need to find the way to do it. We need to do it now and we need to do it in cooperation with each other. Thank you very much.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chambers, then Senator Landis.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, this is a very difficult issue that Senators Schmit and Vickers have presented to the Legislature, but I think they might be right on time with respect to the issue being raised. I don't know if this is the best vehicle for raising it. You all are going to get tired of me telling you about the visits I have from people from the farm community, but I had an office full of them yesterday again and it kept me from going back to the Judiciary Committee hearing and we talked for a good long time. And what they are concerned about with the group going to Washington is that the Legislature will not have done anything prior to going to show that the issue had been addressed at the state level as much as the state could deal with it. And, naturally, I encouraged them with my comments along this line too and I told them quite frankly that it is very easy for thirty or however many senators to go to Washington and make it appear that the issues in Nebraska are being dealt with in that fashion. I told those farm people and their representatives that they are going to have to be in evidence around this Capitol Building. They are going to have to avoid being given the fast shuffle by the Governor as happens and although I attended none of those gatherings they had with him, I pretended to be the Governor and let them talk to me and I showed them how the Governor probably reacted to them. They said, you must have been there watching. For example, one of them was talking very aggressively about their problems and I turned from him to another gentleman who was very conservative, meaning he wasn't saying anything. And I said, how do you feel about this? They said, that is just what they always do to us. When we are trying to present the issue, they won't talk to us, they want to look to somebody who is not saying anything and they divide the group. I said, that is exactly what happens. So maybe you ought to indicate to those who are going to Washington what you are indicating to me here in my office, that if they are going to ask the federal government to do something about agriculture in Nebraska, what Nebraska