

hurting farm and ranch families, let's do it. We can rise to the crisis as we do to other crises and if we fail to so act, we really miss the boat as happened 400 years ago in England.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Landis, then Senator Higgins. There is just one other one beside the closing. Okay, whatever you say. Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thank you, Senator Landis. I will be very brief. I received, as all the rest of you 48 senators have received in the mail this week, this nice little vinyl bound note pad. I think every one of you received it. I don't know how many other government officials received it. It is not cheap. It is vinyl, had a nice sized note pad in it and it says, "Nebraska discovered the difference. It will take you by surprise." And then it says, "Nebraska Department of Economic Development, Division of Travel and Tourism." The point I want to make is in 1982 this agency had \$4 million in expenditures. The following year they more than doubled it and went over \$8 million. In '84 they more than almost doubled it, it went to about \$16 million. This year they are requesting over \$16 million again. I don't know of anybody that is going to be encouraged to start a business in Nebraska because we sent them a vinyl covered note pad. But if we have got that kind of money for economic development, I don't know if you want to call it money or waste, I will support this resolution. I would like to see them go without \$16 million for one year just to take care of this problem because I don't think this does a thing. You certainly wouldn't induce me to come to Nebraska with a vinyl covered note pad. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vickers, would you like to close, please?

SENATOR VICKERS: Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President and members, it has been an interesting conversation here this morning. The first thing I would like to remind all of you is that our title is State Senators and it seems to me that we need to be cognizant of the problems throughout this state regardless of whether they are in our district or not. We need to be cognizant of things that we might have helped to accomplish that turned out to perhaps hurt people. And even though I don't have that many depositors in