

SENATOR VICKERS: Okay, thank you. Thank you, Senator Warner. Well, obviously I don't want to them to spend these funds to continue to coordinate a program that we don't even have and I want to also indicate to you that I think we ought to have a regional program of veterinary medicine. But I don't think we need to pay those kinds of funds to coordinate it...

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR VICKERS: ...to plan it, and bring it about. If we want it to happen, it can happen. I can tell you I spent about 30 minutes yesterday afternoon on the telephone with a good friend of mine who is the Dean of Surgery at Kansas State University, a native of Gothenburg, Nebraska, that wants to see a regional program established. We have people already that are willing to start talking about how to put it together and we don't have to spend one thin dime to do it. So I urge you to take this modest cut for a program that we've already been expending funds down like pouring money down a rat hole so we can at least indicate to the taxpayers of this state that we are not going to waste purposely, which is exactly what we have been doing, any more of their dollars. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the Vickers amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Five are excused.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Yes, sir.

SENATOR VICKERS: In order to save time and in order to find out who is really serious about cutting funds, I'm just going to ask for a call of the house and a roll call vote.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay. The question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 10 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The house is under call. Please record your presence promptly and those outside the Chamber please