

ought not to give them any additional tools, we ought not give them the ability to influence legislation, we ought to treat them differently somehow. I am in complete support of the concept of LB 60. I've stated that many times. I think that Senator Johnson alluded to it a little bit earlier. Maybe we should see if we couldn't work out some of the differences because I think there are differences to be worked out. I think there is middle ground that can be reached. But, obviously, the intent is to narrow it down to only those folks that have got the political clout. And I might remind you that we are being pressured by the wheat and the corn boards, and we are being pressured even though they technically don't have the power to influence legislation right now, technically. Actually, what we are attempting to do here is to pass a bill to make legal what is already happening and we all know it. We are attempting to make legal what they are already doing. I don't have any problem with that, I don't have any direct problem with that. But I think it would be a lot better to say, look, if it is such a good idea then we'll make it apply to everybody. I think we are in the process of making a big mistake. I think in the end, in the end the little bill that I had this year that was going to eliminate those folks, in particular, at least, for the corn and wheat boards, it might look a lot more palatable in a year or two if they continue to try to run it down our throats, as we are doing with LB 60. Thank you, Mr. President.

**SPEAKER NICHOL:** Senator Rogers, would you like to close? However, may I introduce some guests of Senator Rupp, please. Under the north balcony we have 12 members of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce at Columbus, Nebraska. Would you folks please stand and be recognized. Thank you for visiting us today. Senator Rogers.

**SENATOR ROGERS:** Mr. President, colleagues, I don't think we are trying to run anything down anybody's throat. If some of you would like to come visit with me afterwards, I could explain some of these things. The beef people have a program that is a little different than the corn and the wheat boards. The pork producers have a little different program. It might be wise, some day, to study that and have all the boards get together, but we know it is too late to do that this year. Just because the corn and the wheat boards seem to be the largest segment, I guess you might say, that are really for this, I have no qualms on what we