

recycling. That is also a problem and particularly, as you get out from the more populous areas, it is very difficult to find a site and in many cases to handle recycling needs and that is to encourage people to take part in what I believe are very worthwhile programs. So, Senator Wesely will discuss his proposed amendment, which I happen to favor, and so I hope you will listen to him and then join us in approving the resolution. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Sieck, we will listen to the amendment and then I'll call on you. Will that be okay?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Wesely would move to amend.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. Speaker, members, I appreciate Senator Scofield's interest in this and Senator Sieck has been very involved and Senator DeCamp and my thought is, that what Senator Scofield is talking about, instead of having 10 percent, having 30 percent of the money in this litter fund go to clean up. Again, this is not binding. This is a recommendation. I don't really have a big problem with that but my thought is that maybe as...if we are going to take a step, maybe we ought to make it a clearer one. The big concern has been public education, does it really accomplish much of anything? I don't know how many of you have seen public education on litter, I don't think I have seen much of anything so I don't know what they are using their money for. But, I have seen recycling projects that I know Senator Sieck and others are very familiar with in southeast Nebraska and elsewhere where they recycle used oil, where they recycle tires, where they really got some dynamic projects going and I think recycling is really the key success story of this whole fund. So what this amendment would do is say 50 percent of the money goes to recycling, now it is 45 percent, so that is a slight increase. Instead of having 45 percent going to public education that would drop to 25 percent and then clean up would go from 10 percent up to 25 percent so that that would have an increased support. That comes up to 50 percent for recycling, 25 percent for public education, 25 percent for cleanup and that seems like a pretty reasonable way to go about it. I talked to Senator Scofield about it and she liked it and I think it makes sense for us to adopt it. So I would ask your support for the amendment.