

the United States business community anymore. The Federal Reserve is all powerful. The Federal Reserve next week is going to meet overseas with four other countries and talk about dropping the worldwide interest rates 2 percent, not just the United States interest rate, the worldwide interest rate 2 percent. Now the interesting thing is going to be what are they going to continue to charge farmers when they get that done because I think they are going to do it because they simply have to. The point I am making is that we don't know what farm prices are going to be. Gramm-Rudman is kicking in, going to drop the target price which will affect the income of farmers. We have lifetime decisions, as I mentioned earlier, being made for the people in the agricultural area. I do not think that there is any way that we are going to be able to project even for a year what our revenues are going to be and, therefore, what our appropriations should be. Therefore, I would oppose the bill. It might have been a good idea ten years ago when we had some stability, or five years ago, but I assure you that as long as the State of Nebraska and the Midwest, the row crop states, have as little political clout as they have, there will be political decisions made everyday that work directly against our interest and for the interest of someone else who has a better population base and more political clout. We can't even agree on what we want out here in this part of the country. We even like some of the things that they are doing to us that are going to cut our own throats. So I would strongly oppose the bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Higgins, then Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. I will be brief. The Associated Press on March 21, 1985 wrote, "Warner testifying before the Appropriations Committee also presented a measure that would prevent a Governor from basing budget proposals on assumptions that legislation will pass. Senator Warner did not withdraw this bill even though we all know at this time he is considering whether or not to run for Governor." So I commend him for that and I support his bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Question.