

high, for what reasons I don't know. Senator DeCamp was the original drafter. I'd be very willing to strike the A bill and negotiate it down on Select File.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Well, my final question then is what will this board be able to do that we can't do currently through our existing programs that we now have in statutes or through rules and regs?

SENATOR PAPPAS: I think what it can do and what it does do is put people on the board and get involved with exports with expertise. Two, to try to unify the export of other products, to become...Nebraska more aggressive within the Midwest to export products. I think, basically, what it boils down to, if you are presently satisfied with the amount of products Nebraska exports, agricultural and nonagricultural products, then I think you may feel we don't need this bill. But if you are not satisfied with the amount of exports that Nebraska is doing, both agricultural products and nonagricultural products, I think this is a board that needs to be put in place, that needs to be taken a step forward to try to increase the productivity and exports of products and dollars from Nebraska to other countries.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Okay, thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Vard Johnson, do you wish to speak on this matter?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, one of the difficulties with consent calendar is that it affords very little time for the careful reading and digesting of a measure, so one has to kind of skim to make certain that one votes in a correct fashion. In skimming LB 469 the first thing that I noted is that Section 11 says that the Legislature shall appropriate \$10 million annually to the fund. Now I kind of had a hard time with Section 11 about appropriating \$10 million annually to the Export Finance Fund. Then, as I was listening to Senator Pappas speak about this measure, I noted that Senator Pappas was basically saying that this is kind of a board that gets people together to talk about exports, and so on and so forth. But I figured that maybe the bill would have something more in it than just getting people together to talk about exports, and so on and so