

SENATOR RUPP: ...in an area which suffers from a lack of railroads. Put in another way, this is a 5 unit train of feedstuffs that doesn't require railroad, port facility ships, or overseas marketing. My company would also expand production if this law was repealed." This is Hill Hatchery here in Lincoln. I have many more things to go on here to show you later on that there has, in fact, been damage. If we are saying all these people are liars that say this, then that is fine, we will just call them liars. But I am going to document for you before the morning is over there has, in fact, been hundreds if not thousands of jobs lost. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hefner, Senator Harris is next.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I oppose the reconsideration motion this morning and I realize that it is a very emotional issue. It is a very complex issue but I want to say to you this morning that over 80 percent of the people voted this into the Constitution, and so if we pass this reconsideration motion or adopt it, then we will be spending many hours here debating this issue. It is like slapping these people in the face, or kicking them in the pants, and I don't think we are here to do that. I think we need to leave this in our Constitution for at least another two years because we really can't see whether it is doing that many things that are bad for our state. It is too short a time. Very few farm organizations are supporting the repeal of this amendment. I attended a Knox County pork producers banquet the other night and meeting and I believe there were around 450 there, and not one person came up to me and said, Senator Hefner, you have got to support that resolution. We need the repeal. They all told me the other way, stand fast in your vote the other day, and so it will be interesting to see which one of our senators change so that we can discuss this amendment on the floor. In checking with the cattle feeding operations in Nebraska, we find that they are up. There is only two states that are up in the cattle feeding operations from a year ago and Nebraska is one of them. It is not much but at least it is up, it is up 1 percent, and not down. I feel that individuals should own the farmland that we have, not corporations. Governor Kerrey is not supporting the repeal nor are many of the candidates that are running for Governor. I have seen no documentations. We are told that