

said, now listen, you Catholic chaps, he says, you get out of politics, you stick with, you know, selling heaven instead of the farmland thing. I think that would be good advice for them to listen to here. This is an issue that affects the entire economy of the state. Start dealing with it on that basis. If Initiative 300 is good, by golly, let's get her proved.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time.

SENATOR DECAMP: Let's show the documentation, let's show what it is going to do, how it is going to do it, why it is going to do it, how it is going to save the family farm. And if it is not, then let's do the other. Let's say if you keep it, this will happen. If you keep it, this is likely to happen. If you keep it, it may be neutral, but then you won't have these kinds of operations. All I suggest is we get something done. So, why the amendment? Very simple. It just says, to answer Ernie's questions and challenges, it says if the Governor doesn't want to be involved, if he has reservations, if nobody has asked him, if he says I want no part of this, three days later the Exec Board can appoint the members. And I don't care if you appoint everybody who is in favor of Initiative 300. I think something will come out of that process, some education, some learning.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time.

SENATOR DECAMP: And, yes, I know, boy I couldn't...I know better than anybody how dangerous it is to take on this issue. But this issue is too important to the future of this state to be ducked this year, because I suspect if you don't deal with it now, you'll have a special session. I hope we don't have to get to that. But I would hope we'd deal with it now and this is a start. So I ask you to adopt the amendment and the resolution. If I had my druthers, we wouldn't have this system. This is my attempt to try to accommodate those who have other feelings. So I would urge you to support it.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the amendment. All those in favor...Senator Chambers, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Point of personal privilege.