

calling upon and have had at our fingertips for resources. They are taking dollars out of the economy in our state. We need to do something to provide for this kind...these kinds of people, for the businesses that they can help us innovate, for the other things that they can piggyback and create for us as a state. This is the mechanism that capitalizes on our strengths and builds on those strengths. Hopefully, it will be in the optics area, or the educational video disc area. But the entrepreneurs, the market driven ideas out there will come to the authority with the ideas that we can use to implement this legislation. I know, I just firmly believe that five years down the road you will see results, viable results from the implementation of LB 850. I ask for its advancement to Select.

SENATOR CHRONISTER: Thank you. We are voting on the advancement of LB 850 from General File. Those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk. Senator Chambers.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers requests a record vote and votes aye. (Record vote read as found on page 1337 of the Legislative Journal.) 34 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SENATOR CHRONISTER: The bill is advanced. Next is LB 850A.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 850A was a bill introduced by Senator Morehead. (Read.)

SENATOR CHRONISTER: Senator Morehead.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I think that in the presentation of the bill I have adequately explained the different funding mechanisms that are implemented in the legislation. In front of you I have also passed around a proposed budget over a five-year period of time. Of course, any budget, as you know, is always up for the scrutiny of the Appropriations Committee, which they have already been considering this. But the Appropriations Committee, along with the Department of Economic Development, I think, feels committed to this endeavor and are making every effort. We have asked for a \$2 million investment, an investment for the future of the State of Nebraska. You will see that directly in front of you, and I