

I think makes a good point but I think to bracket this bill in order to make that point is unfair. I think we did have an agreement on 796. Now if anybody wants to challenge the wisdom of the Morehead resolution, then I think that is another issue. But it seems to me that we need to recognize that we have got some people on these college boards who understand the difficult decisions and they have been trying to make those difficult decisions. It is not as though they have been going along without making them or attempting to make them. Now, I understand the difficulties that that makes in local communities and Senator Morehead brought that to our attention yesterday. It is very similar to some of the decisions that we are having to make as we look at our budget, what kinds of cuts, what kinds of losses, what programs, what are going to be the results of our actions. And it seems to me that the college, these tech college boards are attempting to make those decisions and are attempting to wrestle with them. I don't think the passage of LB 796 is going to guarantee one way or the other the continued operation of any particular campus or the one at Fairbury particularly, but there is a lot more need for 796 other than just the Southeast Community College area. There is a lot more need across the state than just the Fairbury Campus, and for Senator Johnson or anybody else to use the Fairbury Campus as an excuse for not passing LB 796 I think would be totally unfair to an awfully lot of other people across this state. So I would oppose the bracket motion.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Thank you, Senator Vickers. Senator Abboud, please, on the bracket. Senator Abboud passed. Senator Morehead, on the bracketing motion, please.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Mr. President, members of the body, I rise to oppose the bracketing motion. They are two different issues and I can understand Senator Johnson's ire, I can understand that he is going to use every method possible to win his point just like any of the rest of us in here will do the same, whether it will be Senator Chambers, or Senator Johnson, or whichever one of us. I concur with what Senator Vickers said. There are far greater needs across the State of Nebraska that this impacts other than the one issue which Senator Johnson opposes, being the resolution which I introduced yesterday. If Senator Johnson will look at that resolution, he will find that it is a nonbinding resolution. It does direct the board to look at all issues. There are some of the board members and many