

call vote. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken as found on page 1615 of the Legislative Journal.) 21 ayes, 27 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The motion fails. Do you have anything else?

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have on the bill is by Senator Vickers. (Vickers amendment appears on page 1615 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vickers, please. The call is raised.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, members, the amendment that I offer should be laying on your desk. What it does is it...as already is in the bill, the bill has intent language for the programs at the University of Nebraska based on the campuses at the university. If you'll read the bill, there is an allocation for Central Administration, an allocation for University of Nebraska at Lincoln, and then broken down under that is an allocation for the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources and even some intent language that there is \$50,000 for a director of the Food Processing and Marketing Center. My amendment would add, right after that language, some intent language for the University of Nebraska's School of Technical Agriculture at Curtis. Now it seems to me that if we're going to indicate support and our interest in General Fund dollars for particular programs we'd ought to, particularly during the difficult economic times that agriculture is going through right now, we'd ought to recognize the importance of the School of Technical Agriculture at Curtis. The Board of Regents asked the school at Curtis, the administration at Curtis to look at cooperative programs and coordination with some of the tech schools across the state and that is being done. Many of you may have seen the reports on that, but the fact of the matter is, it's going to take a period of time to allow that cooperation and coordination to take place and it seems fair to me at least to indicate to that school that, yes, we are going to keep you in operation while you're pursuing these opportunities that are available to you and there are opportunities available. The Board of Regents, as I understand it, had indicated to that institution that they would allow them or give them, they asked them to take at