

to lobby this Legislature to stay in business, that's why. Try to close the law school, try to close the pharmacy school. We tried that. Try to close the school of nursing. We didn't have it. But here you have 800 lobbyists out there working for the ESJs. And I would suggest that is what they are, lobbyists working to sustain their kingdom. Now, there are some that are doing a good job, and I don't deny that. There are others who have not done a good job and we are saying, God protect you and enlighten you and maybe you will come our way. I've been around here long enough to know one thing, the weak, the handicapped, the illiterate, the uninformed suffer usually in a legislative body. The powerful, the rich, the well organized do well. We are elected to represent everyone. And I don't usually get that worked up about something like this. But I'm asking you to take a look at it because once you go back home again, and you go to your local constituent and they add up their tax bill, it is as Senator Rupp has said, the NRD is on there, all the very special units, and the ESU, and they all make up a total cost. Each one of them can make a case for their own situation. But when the final analysis comes and the final bill is totaled up, that individual taxpayer pays the total bill. How much of it is overlapping, and how much of it is duplication, how much of it is bureaucracy, and how much of it is unneeded? God only knows. It is up to us, the board of directors of the State of Nebraska, to oversee it and not to bow down to those pressures. I don't mind losing, and I don't mind losing when I am wrong. I don't mind losing when I think I'm right. But I don't think you should lose when you know that the situation is right. I would suggest that if this situation is wrong, you have until next year, June of 1987, to correct it. I'll tell you something, you'll get a lot more performance with that June '87 deadline hanging over your back than you will without it. Because without it, ladies and gentlemen, you are going to see lethargy, apathy, and all the rest of the things that go with it. And I would suggest it will be business as usual until one day the taxpayers will say, I've had enough. When that day happens, and they line up 100 wide and 1,000 deep and march on the Capitol or on the courthouse or on the school district, in the form of petition-carrying citizens, then we are going say, my God, we made a mistake.

PRESIDENT: Thirty seconds.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I suggest you support the Hartnett proposal.

PRESIDENT: Before I proceed with the speaking list, and Senator