

chooses to purchase this type of grain. Do you know how disconcerting it is to hear that grain from your state has arrived in Taiwan and not in good condition? Do you realize how disconcerting it can be when foreign visitors are in your home and say one of the things that would help me represent my country in purchases of U. S. grain would be a certification process and we do not have it in Nebraska. I thank Senator Schmit for bringing this amendment to us at this time. This can help our farmers. I have heard from several farmers who are also very supportive of the concept. Let's give it a try. We have much to gain and little to lose. Thank you, Senator Schmit.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Haberman, then Senator Pappas. Senator Pappas, would you like to go ahead? Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: I would like to endorse the amendment. I had some people from Taiwan in Imperial. We took them down to the elevator. We showed them our grain and they said, I wish we could get this quality, we would pay more money, it would be worthwhile. And I wholeheartedly ask you to support the amendment as it is...do nothing but good for agriculture for the State of Nebraska. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Pappas, please. The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting to cease debate. We are voting to please cease debate. Need a little help here. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Debate has ceased. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I would ask you to pick up the copy of the amendment which is on your desk, begin reading with Section 2 at the bottom of page 2. I apologize that I did not get a chance to discuss this with Senator Rod Johnson prior to the time I introduced it. I agree with him that the amendment that I introduced to the committee called for some changes that were not acceptable to the grain trade. I do not believe that this can be unacceptable in any manner. If the shipper does not want to request a quality grain certificate, he need not do so. The only thing is if he does request it, it guarantees that the shipment will be 50 percent better than the normal standard. It will have 50 percent less FM dockage,