

takes real vision to be able to see the benefits from those projects.

PRESIDENT: Your time has expired.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you, Mr. President. I will vote against the override.

PRESIDENT: Senator Sieck. The speaking order is Senator Eret, Morehead and DeCamp. Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Mr. President and members of the body, this is one time I am going to have to disagree with Senator Schmit. This is one project and it's a project that is just getting off the ground. And the \$200,000 that the Governor took out of the budget, we will lose double that from the federal funds or even more. And these projects have been very beneficial to the State of Nebraska. Now, I have been involved with this type of work for many, many years and I can assure you the projects which were built around Lincoln have benefited just with the recreation alone the cost of that project. We talk about economic benefits, this is truly an economic benefit. There is no question in my mind about this. And anytime we spend money in this particular area, it will double and double and double and keep on doubling and it has. And I intend to, in another year, find out exactly what just the recreational benefits have done to the Lower Platte South projects that we built through the years and I can just feel in my heart that it is a tremendous amount of money that this has brought into this area and you can't tell me that this is not economic benefit. So we need to override this \$200,000 in order to keep this project moving and other projects as they come on line. And in the meantime we have to educate our Governor, the future Governor, and the legislative body that will be here in another year to prove to them that this is necessary and it is worthwhile. So I am asking you to override this particular item. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Eret.

SENATOR ERET: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I request this body to override the veto of the small watershed fund. As Senator Warner pointed out, the operation of this fund, it is a matching fund to federal money that is committed to the program that is currently under way that is getting some protection established through the building of several, I think it is something up to 20 water impoundment structures in an area