

this money, that is all you're going to get from this state. You may get something somewhere else, you may be able to start a lottery or whatever, but from the standpoint of the state dipping into the treasury and saying, we're going to give you money, this is it. And I think they need to know it because they have not been told that from the various people they have been getting their information from. The third party that has an obligation and a right to have this clearly spelled out is this legislative body. We should not be fooling anybody, be it Commonwealth or the other citizens, as to what is really at stake here. We are paying out some money. It is purely a settlement. It is not admitting any liability. It is not admitting any guilt. As you know, the courts and the special committee found there was none, but it is a settlement just as any other "legal settlement" would be. And so I would ask adoption of the amendment. I did show it to Mr. Gritit, Senator Beutler and even though on Friday there appeared to be reluctance to do this, I'm hopeful that today they will accept this as a reasonable settlement of this issue. Again, it does nothing on the moral issue because you can do nothing on the moral issue.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR DECAMP: Morally, anybody can claim anything they want and morally, this next session of the Legislature, I'm sure everybody and his brother is going to claim that they have some right to something. But from a legal liability, a right and exposure of the State of Nebraska in court, I believe, if we will do this, it will be settled for all time. I ask adoption.

PRESIDENT: The Chair would advise members again, that if you wish to be on the speaking list, the number up here is 353. Call my assistant. The Chair now recognizes Senator Beutler, and the speaking order, there is Wesely, Remmers, Haberman, Chambers and Morehead. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, we did sit down over the noon hour and we did discuss this whole situation and I did agree, the Lincoln senators did agree, to go along with this amendment. But at the same time that we agreed to go along with the amendment, we want to make it perfectly clear that this amendment changes nothing. If Senator DeCamp believes and if there