

through...to prevent them from going ahead like they are because that's not the best way. They can work out a lot of these problems, they can rewrite some of this debt, they can cooperate with these farmers. They have taken the course of least resistance which is ask for federal money to bail out the bondholders, and on the other end simply have massive foreclosures. That is horrible. It is horrible mismanagement and I repeat again, the people in charge of that Farm Credit System at the very top, instead of getting their pay raises, should more correctly have been fired or even something more severe. It is going to take a cooperative effort and cooperative suffering by all parties, from the farmer to the government to the Farm Credit System, bondholders, too, to get this thing straightened out. Ultimately you have to get rid of that debt or at least about half to two-thirds of it in these hard hit states. You don't solve the problem merely by transferring the debt to the federal government and leaving the farmers to hang with it and that's the solution the Farm Credit System is offering. So I urge you to adopt the resolution.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Cal Carsten, please.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I rise for a point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: State your point, please.

SENATOR CARSTEN: I just have to rise this morning for more reasons than one, to ask for the Chair's ruling on whether this resolution or any resolutions that we have had brought before us in this special session are within the call. I'm not objecting to this resolution and I think I supported most of the other resolutions that were submitted, but we keep arguing on every issue that comes up, whether it's within the call, and I just think that it's a point that we need to clarify and I'm not being mean to anyone but I would just like to have a clarification. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you, and I'm sure that no one thinks that you're mean in asking such a question. This has often been thought of by some of the members and perhaps it could be one of the things that we discuss Thursday when we discuss rules on that day. I guess I would say that the