

down the other, especially you people in western Nebraska...

SENATOR CARSTEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...the people in western Nebraska voted for her and closing those social service offices that minister to the poor out there, and I heard Senator Goodrich and I heard Senator Haberman talk about be fair to western Nebraska. So those who need the help the most are going to have to travel the furthest to get it and they don't have the means to do the traveling so they are not going to get anything and by them not taking advantage of these services, you reduce the cost of them, and since the services don't cost much, it is obvious that there are not many people who need them, so Nebraska has improved the condition of its people. The proof of it is the fact that not much money is spent to help the poor. That is one of those roundabout politicians' arguments, full of falsehood, deception and cruelty. This is not really even my fight. This is you all's argument and I probably ought to just stay out of it. But I support restoring this money...

SENATOR CARSTEN: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...for this much needed program.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Thank you. Senator Nelson, please.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I...as I had mentioned before, Senator Smith and I did a considerable amount of work on a task force, Senator Smith representing Health and Welfare, myself representing Education. I tried to, hurriedly, in the last 10 or 15 minutes pull out a few of these statistics that we did gather and in hopes of helping the body maybe understand where the nursing degrees are and this is...I will try to make it just as short as I can and some of the information I wanted to find, I couldn't put my finger right on. But these are the averages of the past four years. Creighton has an average of graduates of 135. This will be in the Bachelor of Science degree. Midland Lutheran College, 23; Kearney, 24; Union College; 26; University of Nebraska, 181; Bishop Clarkson, 69 and Methodist College of Omaha, 98. In the diploma program, the College of St. Mary, 90; Bryan, 75; Mary Lanning; 37; Western Nebraska General, 26. Now, I will tell you that in the last four years those have not varied as much as you probably think they might or they would. I guess maybe I am kind of in this case somewhat and I am just as sympathetic, it's