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LB 12, 45, 46, 93, 94,
98, 304, 458, 502, 503

the entire program, you see, could go down to defeat unless there was acceptance of it by the dairymen. If we do not have that acceptance and if we do not have some way of compensating these people who lose these herds, there well could be a shortage of milk eventually.

SENATOR NICHOL: Is that an inducement, the \$50, to the farmer, is that an inducement to his slaughtering that milk cow that has tuberculosis.

SENATOR SCHMIT: No, the farmer has no choice. The animal must be slaughtered.

SENATOR NICHOL: Well, now, this \$50 doesn't anywhere pay for the price of the cow, does it?

SENATOR SCHMIT: No, but you see the animal has some marketable value and, therefore, the indemnity payment merely helps compensate the difference because of any loss of value between what his normal market value and what is the value of the animal after it has obtained the disease of tuberculosis.

SENATOR NICHOL: About how many a year are these found out about and paid for by the state?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Based upon this fiscal impact, if you divide 50 into \$16,000, it looks like several hundred.

SENATOR NICHOL: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cope.

SENATOR COPE: Mr. President, members, I would support Senator Schmit a hundred percent on this. This is a health problem for the people in Nebraska. The farmer has no choices. He just takes it. I think it is a good bill and I certainly would support it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit, do you want to close? Senator Schmit, do you want to close?

SENATOR SCHMIT: I have no closing, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: All right. The question is, shall Senator Schmit's request be granted for the introduction of a bill? Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, Mr. President, 0 nays.

PRESIDENT: Request granted.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. LB 502. Read title. LB 503. Read title. Mr. President, your committee on Government to whom was referred LB 45 instructs me to report the same to the Legislature the recommendation it be advanced to General File; LB 46 General File; LB 98 General File; LB 304 General File; LB 12 indefinitely postponed; LB 94 indefinitely postponed; and LB 458 indefinitely postponed. Signed Senator Rasmussen, Chairman. Mr. President, your committee on Miscellaneous Subjects to whom was referred LB 93 instructs me to report the same to the Legislature the recommendation it be advanced to General File. Mr. President, a motion on the desk.

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