

the trained eye of the observing doctor, had ceased to live. So he figured that here is something that might have medicinal value and that's how penicillin was discovered, Senator Hefner. Weihing is shaking his head, no, and, Senator Weihing, that's why I didn't ask you the question. But I hope, in seriousness, you will adopt the amendment I am offering because I don't think it hurts the bill. I'm not going to badger the bill. I don't have any other amendments.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of the Chambers amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Chambers' amendment to the bill.

PRESIDENT: The Chambers amendment is adopted. May I have your attention and draw your attention to the southeast corner of the room, please. We have a very famous member of this Legislature in the past. He's not the inventor of penicillin but he is located at DeWitt, Nebraska, the former Senator Willard Waldo. Would you please stand up, Willard, so we could welcome you to the Legislature. Thank you. Mr. Clerk, anything else on the bill?

CLERK: Nothing further, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: On the advancement of the bill, Senator Johanns.

SENATOR JOHANNS: Mr. Speaker and members, I won't take much time other than to say that I think that changes that we have made here today are reasonable. I think they improve the bill. We have already had some discussion about what the bill does in terms of requiring two criteria for something to be considered a trade secret. Sixteen other states have already adopted similar pieces of legislation to protect the intellectual properties of their state. We have made some differences which I think are good for the State of Nebraska. We removed the provision for a closed court. We removed punitive damages and we also removed attorneys' fees from the Uniform Trade Secrets Act. And, with those changes, I would urge your advancement of the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? If not, the question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed