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LB 247, 247A, 762

by Senator Baack; Senator Coordsen to LB 762; new A bill, LB 247A by Senator Withem. (Read by title for the first time. See pages 1585-87 of the Legislative Journal.) And that's all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Additional discussion on the Warner amendment, Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: I call the question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Withem moves the previous question. Do I see five hands? I do. Those in favor of ceasing debate please vote aye, opposed nay. Shall debate now cease? Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 9 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Debate ceases. Senator Warner, would you care to close on your amendment?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes. Mr. President, I'd like to yield a minute to Senator Schimek, please.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Warner. Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I would like to convey as accurately as I can a message from some of the leadership at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, and I guess they are afraid is what has happened here on the floor today is a turf battle has been developing, and they wanted me to convey that the university, UN-L, is supportive of the Board of Regents' basic motion which didn't say they were against Kearney becoming part of the university system. All they were suggesting is that there should be a study and a plan. And I guess what they said is not really any different what the State College Board of Trustees said or what the citizens of this state said through the New Horizons project. The Board of Regents was just trying to say that we ought to look at things like role and mission, framework and so forth. I hope that we do not consider this to be a turf battle. The university leadership wanted me to assure you that they are not stonewalling on this issue and that what we need to do is talk about the health and well-being of higher education across the state and not get into some regional battles here. Thank you, Senator Warner.