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15 years. If it's such a good deal, let it keep on existing by executive order. This is not something that belongs in statutes. Here is a good place to start. As Nancy Reagan would say, just say "no". Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. Chair recognizes Senator Redfield.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I want to thank Senator Crosby. You made my job easier. I thought I would be the lone voice standing here. It seems entirely appropriate that someone who spent their entire childhood and, indeed, their adult years in volunteer efforts, whether it's with community groups, churches, schools, youth organizations, to stand here and address volunteerism. I believe in it, I believe that our country was founded on it and I think great things have happened as a result of it. But I object to this bill because there are two definitions of "volunteer". One is in the army when they say, I need three volunteers, you, you, and you, and everyone laughs because they know that's not a volunteer. And there's another kind who says, I will volunteer and I will do it for nothing and I will do it because I believe in it. Every organization I've ever been in, I have ended up being a recruiter because I could say, I'm willing to do it, and people could never tell me no. They were willing. There's another thing that's in this bill that concerns me greatly and that is the measure of how we decide what people can participate in this. I have never once asked a volunteer, are you a Republican or a Democrat? I have never asked them or announced to them, I'm sorry, your race or your ethnic group only represents a certain percentage of the population in the state of Nebraska, therefore, I am already overcommitted on that particular group and I can't accept you. I've only asked for one thing--do you have a willing heart and a strong back? I object to the professionalization of volunteerism.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. Chair recognizes Senator Don Pederson.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the body. Senator Schimek, would you yield to a couple of questions, please? And,...