

that I have submitted to you, and that I have requested, that the optometrists of this state should be commended for setting and maintaining this high educational standard for their own profession, and to insure that Nebraska citizens receive the best possible vision care services possible. I believe they are qualified. I believe they take it upon themselves to take refresher courses, and I know that the things that we discussed today that causes some concern, they're just as concerned as we are and more so. I think Senator Clark clearly pointed out to you that they're there to protect their own profession, and in no way...if I were a doctor, or an optometrist, would I ever want to carry on a practice where I would endanger my own profession.

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have one minute Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: I think the discussion this morning has been good. I supported this bill a year ago. I support it again because I have satisfied myself then and now that their training is sufficient, it's excellent, and the refresher courses continue to qualify them for any emergency or anything that may come up in the picture in the future.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: I call the question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Are there five hands? The question is called for. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 6 nays on the motion to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Clark, you are recognized for the purposes of advancing the bill...or proposing it now.

SENATOR CLARK: Mr. President and members, I move the bill be advanced to E & R Initial.

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have heard the motion.

SENATOR CLARK: I don't think there is any particular need for anything else. We've talked about the bill all morning. It's been researched for two years, so I move it be advanced to E & R.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion is the advancement of LB 9 to E & R for Review. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record the vote.