

Concerning the Veterinary College and turn to the second page. Now this information is based on five states being involved in this project. However, the fiscal analyst has said that if only three states participate the total number of dollars that Nebraska would be contributing would be about the same because the total project would cost less, yet Nebraska's share of this total project would then increase so that total dollars would stay about the same. Okay we are now sending about twenty-five students to other states to be educated at a cost of something over \$800,000. Now if this facility comes into being we would have about thirty-five students and the cost is about 1.1 million dollars. So, Senator Koch is worried about operating costs. Now according to these projected estimates, they are not going up all that much from \$800,000 in 1978-79 dollars up to 1.1 and this will include ten more students per class. The capital construction total is a 28 million dollar facility to be built in Lincoln, Nebraska. Now these other states have agreed that the facility will be located in Lincoln and so here is the way it breaks down. A 28 million dollar facility will be constructed in Lincoln and Nebraska's share of this cost of this 28 million dollar facility is 6.2 million dollars. I submit that this is a bargain as far as this state is concerned. Now if this regional college were to be located in another state, I think we would be apprehensive about sharing in the program but now these other states, two other states have said they will come in, and there is a possibility of some more states joining including Wisconsin. So I suggest that this is an opportunity for this state to cash in on a program that will be good not only economically for Lincoln and for the State of Nebraska but also for the livestock industry and I urge your support of LB 357.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cope. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Comes now the unpleasant time of taking a stand in opposition to that which a great many of my very good friends would like me to take. No one has yet mentioned I believe the Little report which made an indepth study of the future of veterinarians and the supply thereof indicating that within two or three years we are going to have a surplus of veterinarians per se. Likewise no one has mentioned the fact that only about fifteen to seventeen percent of the veterinarians who are today graduating go into the large animal business and for good reason. Who wants to get up in the middle of the night to attend to a rancher's animal who happens to be in eminent danger. The rancher is doing most of his own veterinary work and more power to him