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SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, I think that I have pretty well made my statement. The question that Senator Kremer asked of me I think was a question that needed to be answered but you notice that this council is basically at the control of that body that we are setting up as the council members. Before we were the ones in control of it and that is where we got into some constitutional issues. This body, I think, by doing this will give them an opportunity to prove whether or not they can work together in an effort to bring about the consolidation of certain kinds of programs, solve their problems internally and among themselves. I believe the interim study committee, after considerable amount of testimony and hearings throughout the State of Nebraska, gave you this suggestion in good integrity and in good faith and I submit to you that if we are going to have interim studies to go out and seek answers that others in here want to know, and we say there should be legislation to this effect, I submit to you we need this council. At least give it a chance to see whether or not it can resolve some of the questions. The issue of the dollars and cents is not the important factor. The issue is really, do we need this group to coordinate the efforts of the six area community colleges. I believe we do. I ask for the support of the council. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion is the adoption of the first Koch amendment to the committee amendments to 363. All in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Senator Koch. Senator Koch, what is your pleasure?

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, with some hesitancy I ask for a Call of the House and a roll call vote.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question before the house is, shall the House go under Call. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record.

CLERK: 16 ayes, 2 nays to go under Call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The House is under Call. All legislators please return to your seats, record your presence. Unauthorized personnel please leave the floor. In the North balcony a few moments ago from Senator Simon's district, were forty three fourth graders, one teacher, four parents from Bennington Elementary School, Bennington, Nebraska. Mrs. Betty Carl was the teacher. Senator Fowler, Senator Merz, Senator Haberman, Senator Goodrich, Senator Vickers,