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I think we probably all could save ourselves a lot of time if everyone is agreeable to the Vickers amendment, put personal property back in and eliminate the rest of Section 5, and that certainly makes that section a mile and a half more reasonable than it was before. So I would accept the Vickers amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Beyer, do you wish to speak to the Vickers amendment?

SENATOR BEYER: I call the question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. Record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Debate is ceased. The Chair now recognizes Senator Vickers to close.

SENATOR VICKERS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members, in order to make it perfectly clear what Section 5 will look like if you accept my amendment to the Beutler amendment and then accept the Beutler amendment, I will read to you the way Section 5 will read. Section 5, on page 4, of LB 384 would then read: "Agriculture or agricultural enterprise shall mean and include the real and personal property constituting farms and ranches." And that would be the end of Section 5. My intention is to narrow it down so that these dollars will be available only to legitimate farms and ranches of the State of Nebraska. And it is also my intention to make sure that these dollars are available for all agricultural activities taking place on the farms and ranches which is the reason I thought it was so important that we reinsert the words "personal property". Personal property can mean the livestock pens, the hog facilities, hog feeders, tractors, machinery and etcetera. It seems to me it could also mean Senator Peterson's bees. If it's on a farm and it is personal property, then it seems to me that we don't need to have this laundry list of things in the statutes many of which broadened 3 to 4 out to where I just couldn't in any way accept it. I think it is a good idea to narrow this down. As Senator DeCamp said, let's walk a while first and see how it works, but I think this is a logical amendment and would urge the body's adoption.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the question before the House is the adoption of the Vickers amendment to the Beutler