April 7, 1981

need to offer those amendments. We need to move along with the proposed compromise and try to resolve this whole question revolving around 284. The urban areas have been asked to give and give and give and we have. I don't think that the proponents who now have problems with this compromise are intending to give any more so I see no reason to go back and try to renegotiate this whole question which was once resolved.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, as far as I am concerned, and I have visited with Senator Carsten about the issue, I am ready to discuss 284 any time because I am in a position now which is probably as good as any I am going to be in all day on the bill. The only thing I can do by discussing it at the meeting is to lose ground. I just want to say also that there have been a lot of discussion about the various agreements. I will have to say this for Senator Carsten, he has tried very hard to get people together on the issue. That is why when the bill was discussed on General File, I stated very emphatically that I would continue to keep an open mind, that I would look at any issue or any point of view that wanted to be expressed about the issue and that I would look at anything that might make the situation more equitable. I did not agree to specific details as has been outlined by Senator Newell, but I did not outlaw that I would look at those details. The point I want to make is this, and I am sorry that Senator Newell brought up the disproportionate share of funding that goes to the urban areas. If we want to continue to drag that old bag of bones back and forth. we can go back with LB 39 that Senator Kahle is carrying. which I pointed out the other day, it puts over \$6 million into the Douglas County area versus \$90,000 for Butler County. If we want to rehash the whole blooming issue, we will be here a lot longer than the thirty days we have got left but I am willing to. I want to say this at the outset that I agree with Senator Chambers that tying these three bills together is a bunch of hogwash. I have repeatedly stated that, and I think that most of the members of this body agree with me, and I say it emphatically that the Veterinary School is not tied to 284 or LB 40. There is no reason to tie 284 and 40 together. I want to say again as I have said on this floor and as Senator Warner has pointed out, if we are trading a vote on the Vet school bill for anything else, that is trading an awful lot of something for nothing because we have get a long ways to go to get that federal money. I don't think any of us who represent the rural areas and want that Vet school