

Just the opposite is true. We are going to have twice as many, four times as many, ten times as many people asking for the same aid. How can we deny some people this aid and give it to others? I think, and it is not easy for me to stand up here and oppose something when people say this is for the disabled because none of my family is disabled, but I do not believe that under the present economic conditions and probably somebody is going to stand up and say there is Haberman putting money ahead of people, that we can afford to spend \$1,460,000 in four years and then keep on the program, keep it going because we will never cut it off. You know this. And how are we going to pick the fifty families or the hundred families? It is unclear which it is. Where are they going to be picked from? How are we going to discriminate who gets the money and who does not? I think it is high time that we start thinking about and believing that it is time for the government to try now to stop being everything to everybody because it would be easier to be on the other side of this picture and ask for this money, but I can't because there is no end to it. There will be no end to it. You know this and I know this. You know that we are in a fiscal bind. You know that there are more programs up there now than we are going to be able to fund and everybody here believes that their program up there is just as important as this program. I don't think this is the time nor the place to add a new welfare program. My heart goes out to those people that Senator Schmit and Senator Wesely are talking about, however, I would have to say that they have survived up to this date and I am sure that they will continue to do so without this program. And as I say, it is not easy for me to stand up here and make these remarks but I feel they had to be spoken and I want you to think about what I said and I ask you to oppose starting a new welfare program. I ask you to oppose 389 and thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Mr. President, members of the body, I have to thank Senator Schmit and Senator Wesely for bringing this bill forward. I actually feel that they are going to save the State of Nebraska money instead of costing Nebraska money. I have an individual within my district which is near Stromsburg that was in an automobile accident and he is in a comatose condition and the parents are willing to take care of him and they have to take care of him day and night and yet we are not willing to help that parent. I feel that we should be. That is what we are here for. We are to help those that cannot help themselves and furthermore, I think we will actually save money. I believe Senator Wesely said there were about fifty of these individuals