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LB 404

Norfolk, Nebraska. To the members of the Public Health and Welfare Committee and it is signed, Edna D. Wiese, asking, please vote for LB 404. Here is one from Harry E. Mead, 506 No. 11th, Norfolk, Nebraska, same thing. LB 404 is of prime importance to the Nebraska Commission on Aging and senior citizens because many of the state's oldest persons do not have aging programs.

SENATOR NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Postcard, I would like to see LB 404 passed, Elizabeth Shanon, Beatrice, Nebraska. Senator Higgins, this is from Comstock, Nebraska, we ask that you support LB 404. Mr. and Mrs. Merl F. Henderson, Comstock, why are your constituents writing to me?

SENATOR NICHOL: Half a minute.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I am not easy. Here is another one to the Public Health and Welfare from the silver-haired Unicameral and they represent people clear across the state, saying, please vote for LB 404. And another one from the Blue River's area Agency on Aging asking us to support LB 404. I mean, these are not lobbyists. These are your constituents that are writing to me saying, pass LB 404.

SENATOR NICHOL: Time is up.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Senator.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: I will wait for closing so someone else can speak.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Maresh. Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Mr. President, members of the body, I have just a few comments to make here. We initiated a program for meals on wheels in Polk County this past year and a Center for the people of Polk County in Stromsburg which is part of my district. This has been an excellent program and the people themselves are financing the biggest share of their program and they are providing meals on wheels for the total of Polk County and this is the type of program that we are talking about with 404. I do feel in the long run it is going to save money instead of costing money. We may spend 2 million dollars but we may save 10 million dollars down the road and we are helping those people remain in their homes like Senator Vickers mentioned. To me that is very important, to allow them to have the