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The University Board of Regents can reestablish the program. They can reallocate the money because no money as such was taken away, only the line item that showed that activity was confirmed, or not confirmed, but was recognized as was their budget submission form. So I would hope the body would not adopt it and leave the Regents assume the responsibility they keep telling us all the time they want.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Sam Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Pass.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator DeCamp. The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay.

CLERK: Senator Nichol voting aye.

SENATOR NICHOL: Have you all voted? Record please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 3 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR NICHOL: Debate has ceased. Senator Koch, did you wish to close, please?

SENATOR KOCH: Well first of all, Mr. Chairman, it has been my observation today that we've got a new MPQ'er here and I think it is neat and that is Mr. DeCamp. He moves the previous question all afternoon. Obviously he is not much interested in the appropriation bills right now and I understand the expediting of business. I understand Senator Warner too but when I read the Blue Book put out by his committee and I go through here when they tell me elimination of funds of the general engineering program, \$149,000, I cannot be so assured the Board of Regents will exercise good judgment and place that program in operation. I get as frustrated with the Board of Regents as many of you do occasionally and I understand what you are saying. We ought to make them bite the bullet and if they get enough pressure, then they will put the program in because obviously they have got enough money hidden in this budget some place to do it, but when I read the page 62 of your handout, I don't see that. I have confidence that 506 will pass because it had great support across the board. It is like motherhood and country and in there is the \$500,000 to provide stability to Eppley Cancer Center plus as you remember, \$700,000 or more or a million two for research as it relates to smoking related diseases and I approve that. But I think it is important that I not just speak on the floor