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Stay out. We don't need your help. Thank you. We can do it ourselves better. So that is the reason I am placing this amendment in there and there may be others that should be appropriately added so we cover the whole waterfront not just a part of it. I ask for the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Howard Peterson, is he in the room? Senator Newell, do you wish to speak to the Koch amendment? Senator Burrows, do you wish to speak to the Koch amendment?

SENATOR BURROWS: Yes, Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I think this amendment is a clarifying amendment. I believe the resolution already speaks to it when we support the administration's budget and proposals and the fact that we are already saying that we endorse keeping the price support levels where they are and that we endorse the higher interest rates on the price support program, on the grain reserve, and all the other things that are being done in the present budget. The present budget is leaving soil conservation really without any future. We are not allowing the federal support system that allows any earnings to pay for soil conservation and now we are not providing any funds of any significance for it. So I think if we add this, then we can truly vote for what the resolution is already saying. I support the amendment because I think it makes it clear and honest, that simple. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Hefner, do you wish to speak to the Koch amendment?

SENATOR HEFNER: Yes, I do. Mr. President, members of the body, I fully support Senator Koch's amendment. It was an oversight of mine that I left agriculture out. I thought agriculture was taken care of in other parts of the resolution but I thoroughly endorse the Koch amendment. I believe that everybody, and I repeat again, everybody should make a sacrifice so that we can balance our federal budget. Therefore, I would strongly urge you to support the amendment and I commend Senator Koch for introducing it.

SENATOR CLARK PRESIDING

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: (Mike not turned on.)

SENATOR CLARK: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I do. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote nay.

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