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everything that has happened at Midland and everything that has happened at Hastings and everything that has happened at Concordia, everything that has happened at Creighton, etc., happened all from gifts of people in this area. I just wanted to make that statement.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President and members, I rise to support the Beutler motion and I would remind Senator Higgins that I am not an attorney and I have no desire to ever be a member of the Supreme Court of this state or any other state or the United States for that matter. I would also remind Senator Higgins that we all stood at one point in time when we first came to this body and swore to uphold the Constitution of the State of Nebraska and the Constitution of the United States. Now, not being an attorney, if the Attorney General tells me it is unconstitutional or is constitutionally suspect I think I should look at that questioningly. I don't think I should just ignore that. I don't think any of the other members of this body should either. I would also remind this body that if you will look at your green bill book I was opposed to this bill at the start. I guess I really didn't need an Attorney General's opinion to tell me that there was something screwy going on here but here we are again, one more time, ridiculing the public schools. Well I have three children and all three graduated from college and all three went through the public schools, went through the public's higher institutions of learning and I have got nothing against the public schools and I don't think anybody else should either. I would remind this body of one thing. There is one tiny bit of difference between the public schools and the private schools. The public schools cannot turn people away. The public schools have to take them all, good, bad and indifferent. The private schools do not and then we stand here and say, look at all the terrible things that are happening in the public schools. Well it makes me a little bit sick. They can't turn them down. We would not want them to turn them down and it makes me a little bit sick when we are the representatives of the public that are not supporting public education but are instead, ignoring the Constitution that we swore to uphold and I will remind you again. Sure, this is not tax dollars out what about the fact that these bonds, these revenue bonds are tax exempt. Who is making up the difference? I have heard many people in this body stand and say, we don't want to give any more tax exemptions because when we give a tax exemption we know somebody else has to make up the difference but we ignore it when we get to tax revenue bonds. We passed several bills this year. We have got

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