

gation to review what we are doing against the requirements of the Constitution. So, if some people feel strongly enough about church schools to say, forget what the Constitution says about not passing a law for the establishment of a religion nor anything to prohibit the free exercise thereof, if we are going to ignore it with reference to these church schools, let's certainly draw in all of the human beings to whom these church schools might administer. So, I am supporting Senator Warner's amendment and I think it might serve to mitigate some of the very severe financial pinches that people experience as a result of actions at the national level and the state level. So if we can do anything at all that will mitigate those difficulties I am certainly in favor of it. So, I will support this bill and I would like to throw one other thing out to Senator Higgins since she likes to make observations about various things. She said LB 3 was enacted with the argument that it is good for business. Senator Higgins, business is godless, so the state can support business. The only problem is when you try to marry the state to God and that is what this bill is attempting to do so, therefore, it cannot be done. If you can convince us all that these are godless institutions even though they masquerade as being the contrary, then I think we can get it through.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I oppose the Warner amendment. I assume that in due course Senator Warner will withdraw it because you can only keep your tongue in your cheek so long. It is probably over-extended at this juncture. Senator Warner says that it is difficult for us to weigh good purposes, each purpose of a tax exempt measure seems extremely good and for that reason we go ahead and we approve that particular tax exempt measure. For example, we have approved Industrial Development Bond Act financing which is a tax exempt measure of financing. We do it essentially to encourage industrial growth. I think that is a very valid purpose. A couple of years ago under Senator Labeledz's direction and guidance we established the Nebraska Mortgage Finance Act which is another tax exempt measure for home construction and home ownership. Inasmuch as this nation has had a long-standing commitment to home construction and home ownership, I see nothing improper with that purpose and I think that is a good purpose. This session we went and passed the Agricultural Land Act bill sponsored by Senator Schmit which is essentially designed to assist starting farmers and others into the business in owning their own land and their own equipment and I think it is important that we assist young people in getting well established in farms, but now we come to a bill which essentially