

research on the diseases of animals and this Legislature is clearly on record for spending millions and millions of dollars to research the diseases of animals. I would think that it might be appropriate to spend a few thousand dollars researching the diseases of man. And I would also point out that with regard to the diseases of animals, there are no particular epidemics going on in the State of Nebraska the last few years that is not being researched at this time, whereas with the case with cancer if this editorial is correct, one of every four Nebraskans will contract some form of it during his lifetime and it will affect two of every three families. I just think it is appropriate to point out that I think we need to get our values straight and to address first a problem that is affecting almost every family in Nebraska one way or another sooner or later as well as addressing the problems that affect the cows and the pigs and the sheep of Nebraska.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Vard Johnson, do you wish to close? On the advancement of the bill.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: I almost forgot, Senator Chambers asked me a question. The question was, am I personally more concerned about cancers for the wealthy than about cancers for the poor? I am concerned about cancers to anyone. I guess that is almost like, do I beat my wife? But I am not going to answer that question. But I am concerned, obviously concerned about....in society I think everyone of us is concerned about cancers to everybody whether they are wealthy or whether they are poor. What Senator Chambers has really said though is that a study of Switzerland, at least, has indicated that automobile emissions and truck emissions may be cancer producing in a certain area and that he has specifically asked the Mayor of the city about that point with respect to the North Freeway and the Mayor has tended to waffle on that issue. I personally think that all of us have got to be acutely conscious of environmental effects on the life and the health of people in every area whether they be rich or poor or black or white, but it is just something that we have to be very conscious of. This bill is a solid piece of legislation. I have spoken my piece. I have given you a lot of material much of which you probably don't have time to read, but at your leisure I would hope you would take the time to go through it. You can see that this bill is basically supported by many members of the medical community and certainly is supported wholeheartedly by cancer researchers. Nebraska would continue to....would join a majority of states if it was to ultimately develop a cancer reporting and registry system. I move its advancement.