

this country. This is one of the problems we have recognized. We have corrected it. This legislation will maintain the correction.

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SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I believe Senator DeCamp has said everything about everything that I wanted to say. I just wanted to throw in one additional comment. In these days of the new federalism we are being called upon to pick up so many programs and in almost each and every case there is a crushing financial burden that goes along with it and that burden of course is going to cause us not to pick up a number of the federal programs that are presently in place but this is our chance. This is our chance to pick up something that has done some good and it doesn't have a big price tag attached to it. In fact, it has no price tag at all attached to it. So all I am suggesting to you is that we'd better snap this one up. There aren't going to be very many like this. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Remmers.

SENATOR REMMERS: I want to speak, Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, because I'm afraid you are going to wonder about my vote on this bill. I was connected with the school system for quite a long time that had girls' athletics that had mixed classes in shop and home economics long before Title IX. I will admit that Title IX was necessary. We did have a lot of male chauvinism and that type of thing and I doubt that we ever would have had equal opportunities for the girls in the various areas of activities in the schools without Title IX but I think today Title IX has done its job. I would warn any school board in the State of Nebraska of what they might run into if they tried to cut back on the activities that the girls are included in today. I guess I am opposing the bill sort of on the basis on what I have heard Senator Clark say, "If it ain't broke, why fix it?" I don't believe it is necessary to put this on the statute. I can't see in any way that we will go backwards in this area. I have been a strong supporter of girls being given the same opportunities as boys. After all, I have four daughters and no sons, so I was a little prejudiced in that respect. So if you see my red vote up there, I just don't think it is necessary to have this legislation.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I