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the Department of Health can go if necessary into the hospital and look at medical records to compile the information so it makes for a complete reporting system. These are two necessary amendments to make certain that you and I have the kind of cancer registry system in this state that I think we really want to have. At this time I would move the amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Haberman. All right. Is there any further discussion on the Johnson amendment? If not, all those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted on the Johnson amendment to 212?

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the Johnson amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: The Johnson amendment is adopted. Now is there anything further on the bill?

CLERK: Nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Now the advancement of the bill. Did you want to talk to the advancement of the bill? Senator Haberman on the advancement of 212.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is another one of those apple pie, American flag and motherhood bills. To stand up and oppose something like this, which I am going to do but I am going to oppose it. Last year we gave the cancer people \$500,000 an extra \$500,000. This bill could cost \$240,000. Right now to start it up it is going to cost \$62,000 the first year. I know that I am going to be criticized by my good friend Senator Johnson for putting a dollar sign on cancer research but I'm going to have to do it because there is so much cancer research going on all over the nation and it isn't dove tailed that people aren't saying I'll cancer research this part you cancer research that part of it, everybody is like a flock of quail. So I don't think that this is really necessary and where are we going to get \$240,000? When I looked to see who opposed the bill, the Nebraska Medical Association opposed it, the Nebraska Medical Records Association opposed it, the National Association of Pathologists and the Nebraska Hospital Association. So evidently they are trying to tell us something even maybe we have enough information now.