

might be valuable to simply lay this issue over so that there is an opportunity for some discussion between Senator Nichol and Senator Koch. Senator Koch says "no way". I guess it is Senator Nichol's bill, and I wonder if as a courtesy to him I would ask him if he minds having this bill and this issue laid over. Senator Nichol, would you be willing to have the bill laid over and visit with Senator Koch about this issue?

SENATOR NICHOL: That is fine with me.

SENATOR FOWLER: Senator Koch, would you be willing to let Senator Nichol have this bill laid over so you could visit about the issue?

SENATOR KOCH: Senator Fowler, the record is very vivid. It is just like the history book of Nebraska history. Why should we have to review history again when we know it has always been dedicated to the public schools and we are just about now to break that bubble. There is no reason to discuss it any further. I also want a record vote when we vote on this.

SENATOR FOWLER: Well, the history may be etched in your mind better than mine and I appreciate that. I guess that was a "no", right? Okay. I guess we can't get Senator Koch's consent to lay it over but I think it is appropriate, that it is last year some severance tax money was made available to other than the public schools, \$200,000 I think was for the University of Nebraska and \$200,000 for the Energy Office. So at least, and my memory of history is not as long as Senator Koch's in this but severance tax has been provided to other than just elementary and secondary education. So I don't think Senator Nichol is coming in with such a precedent setting proposal as Senator Koch is indicating. This Legislature last year did allow a small amount of the severance tax to be set aside for other institutions of education and the technical colleges did not get consideration in the final bill last year and that is what they are asking for. I guess it is not possible to move to lay the bill over since we have a motion pending but I think if Senator Koch's motion is not adopted that may be the best route to follow.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Fowler, were you through discussing? Okay, Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Well, Mr. Chairman, it is becoming more apparent. This is a little anti western Nebraska apparently. I didn't think it was to start with but since Senator Fowler has brought this about that we have allocated monies to the