

to be imported into our state. This continues to create new sources of infection and spreads PVR. The FDA states that PVR has been in the United States for over a hundred years. We have 269 cases now in quarantine in Nebraska and hundreds of other herds have PVR but are not tested for fear of being put on quarantine. Many other herds have PVR but they're not because the symptoms are so variable." He goes on to state, "When LB 36 was introduced to the committee they were asking for \$500,000 for an appropriation to cover this bill. \$500,000 will not begin to be enough money to finance the bill because PVR is much wider spread than most people realize. Why should we ask the Nebraska taxpayers to finance something that is not a public health problem and a majority of people actually raising hogs do not want this bill? I can assure you that there are many problems related to the production of pork. PVR is not a major one. Of all the diseases that can affect hogs PVR is one in which the vaccine works. I vaccinate my entire sow herd and have never had a loss because of PVR. To blood test a sow costs \$10 per head and there is no protection. To vaccinate costs .70 per sow which gives a sow and also the litter protection. The use of vaccine is the most practical economical way of controlling PVR." And I'll let this letter stand in the interest of the gentleman who has been raising hogs for a number of years and knows it inside and out. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, with all this urging to call the question I will make one small point and not call the question. One of the main arguments I've heard and some of the people that came to see me said we don't know what causes pseudorabies, therefore, we shouldn't be doing anything like you are proposing and I guess I feel it is kind of a Catch 22. We don't know, therefore, we shouldn't be doing anything. Where the other side of the horn is maybe if we don't do something we're not going to find out. Now I can tell you a couple of other things, we don't know the cause of but we are doing something about. There is a disease that a lot of people are familiar with in this room and it is called cancer. Now I want to know, does anybody know the cause of cancer because if you do, if you've got the answers there is one heck of a bundle of dough and everything else waiting for you. You can retire. You see the reason we're doing the research, the reason we're trying to find out more, the reason we even take preventive measures is to try to make progress in the area, try to make that step forward to learn causes, to learn preventive measures, so on and so forth, to address the problem.