of \$12 million has been requested to help finance the project but the funds are unavailble. LB 648 would reserve state funding until December 31, 1984 in the event federal money becomes available." So there you have that clause introduced with the two words "in the event", which means that in the event the federal money is not forthcoming, there will be no construction on a veterinary college. When we are dealing with a much larger project that impacts directly on the lifestyle and health and well-being of a community. you are saying even though there is no likelihood of the money coming continue to tear down houses though you have rebuilt none. Over 400 houses have been torn down. Continue to cut down trees bringing about the possibility of erosion and the other problems that result when you decimate the landside, the countryside. I have yet to hear any Senator stand on this floor and say that enough money may be available to acquire a plot of ground on which the veterinary college can be built, therefore, even though you don't have enough money to complete the school, go for the gusto and get that plot of ground. Or if you say that you have enough to get the plot of ground and dig the footings, so buy the plot of ground, dig the footing and pray for all you are worth that there will be enough federal money and agreements between the other states to go ahead and complete it. You deal differently and rationally on every other project so long as it doesn't relate to the welfare of people of my complexion. Now there is one other item. It deals with an article in yesterday's paper and it talks about the declining consumption of gasoline in Nebraska as well as the decline in prices. All of you know that the primary source of road funds is gasoline tax. If the prices are declining, if the consumption is declining, and it has declined 25% during the last five years, from 12 to 15% since 1980 or 1981, you have got the article, you can get the year exact, if there has been that great a decline, obviously there will be less tax money. So Senator Warner is in a position to tell you what is going to have to be done to replenish the coffers of those road funds, that is, you are going to have to look to the variable tax rate, Senator Haberman, the variable gas tax. If the standard amount of tax that goes on every gallon is not going to produce as much because fewer gallons are being sold and there is a lesser cost per each gallon, you are going to have to find a way to replenish that money and that is where the variable gas tax will come into play. It can be adjusted upward or downward, and in this case probably upward, to produce the amount of money that the Department of Roads needs to carry out the projects that the Legislature is going to allow it to commit itself to. So what I am asking you to do in this resolution is to simply say that if there