

language. It has become recognized as a key element in the heart attacks and many other circulatory problems that we have, and we know that many, many people are forced to have caution in the kinds of oils that they partake in because the oils vary greatly in the amount of cholesterol that they have. This bill would require that the restaurant industry post the kind of oil and the cholesterol content of that oil. This would then permit we, who have become a society of going to the restaurants, as you all know, we have increased yearly in the number of people that are eating within restaurants in the public places and would, therefore, those who have a problem or do not have a problem that do not wish to partake in the oils that have high cholesterol, and a dangerous product, and would know that. It is simply a matter of having it known. This is not something entirely new for the nation, and you will find that in many locations and in some states, they require this type of disclosure and, in fact, a much greater disclosure than the detail of this particular bill. I feel it being a health matter, it should go to Health and Human Services.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the motion found on page 194 in the Journal. Senator Rod Johnson, followed by Senator Wesely.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, this is a friendly battle between Senator Weihing and I. I do not personally object to his decision to come up and try and rereference the bill. I would, however, point out that I will vote against it. The statute area in which Senator Weihing's bill deals with is in the Nebraska Pure Food Act. That act is implemented and regulated by the Department of Agriculture. That is the reason that Dr. Jack Rodgers indicated to us that the bill was referenced to the Agriculture Committee, initially. I know that Senator Weihing feels very strongly this is a health issue but we have dealt with this issue in years past. Senator Jim Pappas, former Senator Jim Pappas had a bill in that dealt with this particular problem a couple of years ago. The Agriculture Committee heard that bill. The bill did not come out of committee, but it is an issue there is a precedent that has been set that this type of an issue does typically come to the Agriculture Committee, since we do regulate or have authority over the Department of Agriculture, and that is my only argument. I have no problem if this body chooses to rereference the bill, but I can assure you the bill will receive a fair and just hearing. We are not overloaded with bills so it