

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR SMITH: ...the fact that over about a million of that is going to stay right in the Department of Health for administrative costs and I always hate to see this kind of thing. They're saying that they're going to have to...when I look here, a health program administrator, two years from now it's going to be more that. It's 28,000 without any fringes, I would assume, and for the typists, \$76,129, evidently that's new, six new typists to take care of this program. I guess that I need to have you do some more explaining and I think that we need to have this thing drawn up a little bit tighter before I am totally in support of it, although I believe the concept is very good. The final thing that I would say, Senator Lynch, I have a concern about the fact that if they're going to establish staff that can do some of these things by contracting or by paying with fees, we do have a nursing shortage in rural Nebraska which I'm just putting a plug in for Senator Nelson and the bill that we have coming up, 357, I believe...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time has expired.

SENATOR SMITH: ...about the nursing program that we do need to put in place to help support this.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Motion on the desk, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Haberman would move to indefinitely postpone the bill. Senator Wesely, as Chair of the committee, would have the option to lay the bill over, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Wesely, do you wish...

SENATOR WESELY: I want it taken up.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Take it up at this point?

SENATOR WESELY: You bet.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Haberman, on your motion, please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the body, what