

do? I don't feel comfortable making that decision whatsoever, and that is exactly Senator Schmit's point, that are we in a position to determine that? Are we in the position to say that this project should go and another should not, that this is the better solution for whatever problems exist up in Omaha, and particularly for the Medical Center? And I say, I don't know that, and I don't particularly feel comfortable in saying that that is so. But I do feel comfortable in saying that if it is reviewed and if it is found to be worthy, that I have no problem with them going forward with it. I guess that is...and how we do that and the semantics and the process are all of concern, but, certainly, I think if it is reviewed and found to be needed, then I have no problem with going forward. So I am saying that Senator Schmit raises a good point, and his amendment reaches a good point, and maybe I will try and amend it. I don't know yet. I will discuss it further with Senator Schmit, though.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Haberman is next, but may I introduce a guest, please, two guests of Senator Kristensen under the north balcony. We have Kurt Van Norman of Minden, Nebraska and Clayton Lukow of Holstein, Nebraska. Would you gentlemen please rise. Thank you for visiting us today. Senator Haberman, please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: I will call the question.

PRESIDENT: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. If you care to vote, please do so, so that we can move along. Thank you. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Debate has ceased. Senator Schmit, would you like to close on your motion, please?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I never cease to be amazed at how quickly we can resolve major issues, and that is, I guess, because I don't think as fast as a lot of people on this floor, but then that is the way it is. I just want to suggest again, ladies and gentlemen, that Senator Wesely's fears have been allayed relative to striking of the subsection 3, and he reads it now as I do. It is not my intent in any way to relieve the CON committee of their responsibility and obligation