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sections, it is broken down and using statistics, too, by the way, and 1991-92. Incidentally, I am very willing to amend my bill if somehow or another we can add to remain in Nebraska. Mine is after they go to school, so we don't have to worry about a student taking the amount...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR NELSON: ...and defaulting on the loan. Mine is after the first year, of course, it is ready and available the next year. I still contend that it is just like the Hospital Association, they offered a simple \$250,000 scholarship and they had over 200 applicants. Two hundred dollars helps a lot, 300. I think it is so much better and particularly the outstate. I am very willing, if my bill isn't enough, we can control...my bill, by the way, when I put the cap for \$500,000 on there, then there is a portion that that is apportioned out on the \$500 if there are too many requests. I don't think there will be by the 500,000, but I will gladly put to stay in Nebraska. That is no problem with me at all. Is to entice them into nursing is all right, but I simply say either to amend Senator Schellpeper's down to a maximum of 500...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time has expired.

SENATOR NELSON: ...for 200 students or something. It doesn't help enough, gives too much to the rich.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have been sitting here and I have been trying to decide what in the heck to do, and I would just frankly say that there are some things about LB 520, which is the amendment which is being offered by Senator Schellpeper to this bill, which I like. I like particularly the part about the students must agree to practice in the state. I like the part about doing something that will provide an incentive for nurses to practice and stay in the rural areas. Those two things, particularly, I do like about it. I like in LB 357 the lower amount. I think that we are going just a little overboard here in the thousands of dollars that we are talking about to go people being educated. You know, you can start arguing about everyone needing to be educated in the state and they all should be paid to do that. I think that we do need to support, if our concern really is for the rural areas, which