

incentive portion, about two-thirds of the cost of the bill. And the off-campus is supplied by Bishop Clarkson and UN-L, mostly, and a little bit of Creighton. They are the ones that offer those courses so it is an incentive for the urban people also.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nelson, was that your closing? You have a right to close if you would like.

SENATOR NELSON: No other lights on?

PRESIDENT: That's right.

SENATOR NELSON: I guess so. We have spent enough time on the bill and let's get on the way with something else, unless someone else has any questions. I might...I don't want to deceive anyone and Senator Schellpeper did not have these amendments and it's down to the bill drafter now. It is a little bit more than a million dollars on the minimum side, it's about a million four thirty, and a million eight twenty-nine over a six-year period. And we hope, with the...with LB 890 last year, the associate nursing program, and the various programs that are being started that maybe the need will not be so great or that will work out. I think senator...I see Senator Moore here, I believe he visited with the home health nurses a few nights ago and Senator Kristensen, and I think they were made aware how badly the programs are needed. And I think every program that is proposed here is very worthwhile. I know in Education Committee we're seems to me like kicking out bills like you can't believe, I know Health and all of these, but I don't think that there is any need for any program or more critical than the nursing shortage and it fits in with the Governor's rural renaissance. It's very much needed. With that, I just move for the advancement of the bill.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. I need a little help, ladies and gentlemen. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the motion to advance LB 357.

PRESIDENT: LB 357 is advanced to E & R Initial. May I introduce some guests, please. Senator Coordsen has a guest under the north balcony from Chester, Nebraska, Beverly George.