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it might even be desirable if we had a more complete report from some of the other checkoff boards as to the expenditure of their funds. But at this time, I have no objection. In fact, I will support the Haberman amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any discussion on the Haberman amendment? Senator Haberman waives closing and the question before the body is the adoption of the Haberman amendment. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Haberman's amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Schmit, on the bill.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I believe the bill has been thoroughly explained. I think that the discussion that accompanied the introduction and the adoption of the amendments further enlightened the members. I believe that the bill is in good form. I believe it will accomplish that which we intended for it to accomplish and I would have no further comments at this time.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the bill's advancement, Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I would just like to make a few brief comments on this bill. I think it is a good bill. I think that anything we can do to enhance the ethanol production in Nebraska is for the benefit of all the citizens in Nebraska, and especially the farmers. I am in the oil business and we sell quite a little unleaded gasoline, and most of this unleaded gasoline now contains alcohol, and this is good for the environment, it is good for the country. As we have seen in the past couple of years, Colorado has adopted or mandated more use of a fuel that will produce...that will not be so harmful to the environment, also, Arizona, and some other states, and so I just feel that we need to do everything we can to promote this product here in Nebraska, and also for the manufacture of it. I think we have just scratched the surface, and I want to say to Senator Schmit that you have been the