

turning it around from the days of when people actually talked about closing it. But more than that, I'm concerned about what the impact would be on students and the impact on program offerings. So, even though I recognize the frustration and am momentarily tempted to want to get somebody just because I, too, share your frustration, I think who we'll end up getting are the students. So I would ask you to go ahead and feel mad about it, I don't think any of us are ever going to feel good about this whole situation, but don't take it out on the students. I think to adopt this amendment might very well result in that. So I would ask you to...it's okay to feel mad about it, but don't vote for the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Dierks, followed by Senator Korshoj.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body. I would like to ask Senator Hannibal a question, please.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hannibal, would you respond.

SENATOR DIERKS: Senator Hannibal, is there a law in our state that requires that all buildings that are constructed, like university buildings or any buildings for that matter, that require architectural expertise?

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Well, Senator Dierks, I'm not sure if it's a state law. I can tell you in Omaha, which is where the pharmacy school is built, that in order to get a building permit you must have what they call an engineers seal on the plans. And that means that there is an architect or an architectural engineer that has designed, in this particular case, the structural steel, if you will, structural steel and the beams and the columns, the resteel, the floor steel members. You have to have a seal by a registered, state registered engineer that says this plan was designed with my expertise.

SENATOR DIERKS: So then at the time that the building is constructed and turned over to the University of Nebraska the architect has to guarantee that this was done according to this specifications and the way that he examined the building during the building construction period.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Well, the architect designs the building and designs the structural members, the beams and the columns and