

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Call the question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. That won't be necessary, yours is the last light. Senator Scofield. Waives closing. And the question is the adoption of the Scofield amendment. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Scofield's amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Senator Scofield now offers, Mr. President, AM1438.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Scofield, please.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Thank you, Mr. President and members. This is an amendment that quite frankly is LB 760. I want an opportunity to bring this before you one more time and have that discussed on the floor. Obviously I'd like to have it adopted as well. What this simply does is changes the names of the remaining three state colleges to regional universities. Thus Chadron would become Western Nebraska State University, Peru would become Southeastern Nebraska State University, and Wayne would become Northeastern Nebraska State University. In anticipation of us being at this point today, Kearney obviously has been excluded from that, although the original bill made Kearney Central Nebraska State University. But I'm assuming that we're going to go ahead with the plan that we have proposed and move Kearney into the university system. But I still think this is an important issue and one that we should seriously consider for the interests of the students at the other institutions. And this is certainly not an institutionally driven initiative, unlike practically everything else we talk about relative to higher education. I have circulated a little brochure here, which is somewhere on your desk. The front of it says LB 760, which was produced by the board of trustees specifically to explore what's going on in the country today. And the fact of the matter is, no matter how much jealousy there is on the issue of university, the reality today in this world is that practically every four year institution of any size in the nation is calling itself a university. And I know that distresses some members here. And I remember specifically Senator Crosby's question in the committee about, well what are