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not. It looks like that the diagnostic lab, in my estimation, has come up with the short end of the stick. We have passed into law a pseudo rabies program in Nebraska, and with that we have increased the amount of workload, almost tripled it, and yet we haven't provided the funding to take care of the increased workload. And I think the implication is that we should allow industry to take care of the increase in the diagnostic lab costs. Yet we're asking this at a time when the swine industry is in pretty bad straits, it's difficult to ask the swine people to provide this extra funding for their own industry when their industry is having difficulties. I think that we owe it to them, because of the fact that we've laid the testing necessity on the industry, I think we owe it to them to provide the funding to take care of that extra testing. I would urge the body to accept this amendment, and I'll try not to prevail on them too much more. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Rogers, please. Senator Rogers.

SENATOR ROGERS: Are there any other lights on?

PRESIDENT: No, there are not. Did you wish to close?

SENATOR ROGERS: That's fine.

PRESIDENT: All right, please.

SENATOR ROGERS: I don't know how many of you are listening, but I wish you would listen for a minute. I still think that it's a mighty small price to pay for an industry that is that large in the State of Nebraska. We, like I mentioned, I also have another bill, actually a pseudo rabies eradication bill, which has nothing to do with this. That will come up later in the session. But, as long as there are no other questions, I'll ask for the advancement, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of the amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted.