

strong protest for what has happened. I concur with what Senator Baack has said about how you may have to try to get these bills passed. I would suggest, Senator Baack, you will not have much more success introducing bills because it's always the prerogative of the committee and all committees to absorb those bills into the main budget bills, leaving you hanging high and dry, but the point is that until we decide that we all want to be a part of the process...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...register our objections, there isn't any reason for the committee to think otherwise. There isn't any reason for the medical school to think otherwise. They can continue to build, construct and resurrect as in the case of the pharmacy college time after time and run their own little bailiwick and all we are, ladies and gentlemen, are the rubber stamp for the program. So at this time I support what Senator Baack is trying to do and I would hope that at some future time in a future session when you are in a position, ladies and gentlemen, to register your protest and to express your concern instead of rubber-stamping what an entity of government wants to do, that you stand up and voice your protest at a time when it will do some good. There was a time when you had a bill on this floor you could have said no on, but 30 people said yes and only three said no. Now you can stand here and bay at the moon and it's not going to do any good because...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...it's all over with.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Wesely, followed by Senators Schellpeper, Conway, Lynch and Dierks. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I would rise in support of this amendment as well and indicate to you that I have some knowledge of the family practice program in Lincoln. It does help rural Nebraska in their medical needs. We are studying and trying to work on the needs of rural Nebraska's medical community and we understand that this program is vital to those efforts. I think that clearly the funding situation is such that minus this override, we may see that program disappear. If we see that program disappear then we see the most effective outreach effort by our medical center to help place rural