

public facilities to manufacture combustible waste products and to incinerate waste to generate and recover more energy resources, because I feel that the need is there, and if we would have had something like this when my constituent was ready to go a year or two ago, maybe we could have gotten him to locate that in northeast Nebraska instead of Yankton, South Dakota. And so this is why I am proposing this at this time, and I am hoping that you would be able to support it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Rod Johnson, anything further on the amendment? Your light is still on. Thank you. Senator Hefner, there are no other lights, would you care to close on your amendment?

SENATOR HEFNER: Thank you, Mr. President, and in closing, I want to call your attention here, Senator Wehrbein, and Senator Morrissey, and those of you that are concerned about the constitutionality of it. In subsection (d) of Section 2, subsection (2), there is a section there saying capital assistance for establishing private and public intermediate processing facilities for recyclable materials and facilities using recyclable materials in new products, so I followed that language, so I feel it should be constitutional the way it is written. Like I said before, I think it is high time that we get started with something, and so this would be a small step in trying to get more recycling plants started in Nebraska. We can produce these pellets, and they are usable. In fact, at the Yankton plant, I said the college and the hospital were using all of these pellets, but there are some farmers that are using it, too. They have a heating stove that they have a small auger using it. It works like the stokers we used to have years ago that augered coal into the fireplace. These auger the pellets in and they use forced air and the BTUs in the heat they get out of it is tremendous. And so I would urge you to support this amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You have heard the closing and the question is the adoption of the Hefner amendment. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on the Hefner amendment. Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, I would request a call of the house.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question is, shall the house go under