

100 days, that 10 days makes a difference, so I will support the 90 days. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Coordsen, Senator Schmit on deck.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I, too, rise to support the Wehrbein amendment, although I do not support annual...or the biennial sessions, rather. The annual sessions, as I think was so aptly described, the value of them by other speakers in this matter. But if the will of the body is to go to biennial sessions, that 90 days may fit those people who serve perhaps better than the 100. Personally, although those of us whose profession is agriculture, certainly have a differing set of circumstances as individuals differ. The 90-day session is not a great burden to me. And I would share with you that my agricultural operation is accomplished without the aid of family members and without the aid of hired employees. My wife and myself are able to make a living in agriculture in Nebraska in addition to serving the 90 days. But perhaps that is more of a unique feature of my personal farming operation than might be representative of agriculture in general. But, if a biennial session is needed, and if we are going to allow people who are involved in our economic base to be participants in it, then we need to have a system that will allow them to serve, and the 90 days rather than the 100 would certainly accomplish that in a much better, more encouraging fashion. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Schmit, further discussion on the amendment to the amendment. Any further discussion on the Wehrbein amendment? Senator Wehrbein, would you care to close?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. President, just briefly. I am serious because as we talked about many of this, I think we do need to make a commitment to this, once we've elected to run. And I am concerned that, if we extend this into a 100 day biennial session, it easily could run into most of the summer, because I feel there would be a definite tendency to go to a four day week, probably more recess days. And I just don't think seriously that mid summer is a good time to make legislation, in Nebraska there are a lot of other activities, the weather isn't conducive to be inside, it's conducive to being outside. So I seriously am thinking from a practical