

medical jurisprudence, rural health, environmental health and safety. A number of these cooperative efforts are presently developing but much more needs to be done to maximize the output and the use of our faculty resources. A closer unification of UN-L and UNMC would put all current doctoral programs clearly under one comprehensive research institution. A single graduate school structure would be maintained. This isn't intended to suggest that UN-O would never have Ph.D. programs. Most objective observers agree that UN-O should be free to develop such programs in areas that uniquely fall within their role and mission if it's determined that the need for a program exists. Right now, joint Ph.D. degree programs with UN-L have proven to be of great value between UN-L and UN-O, for instance, in psychology, and other programs could be developed along these lines. UN-L and UNMC, as has been said before, have a shared history. The Health Sciences Program in Omaha functioned as a vital part of the state's comprehensive research university. So I just bring these things to you again to point out that it isn't a new idea, in fact, a lot of it's happening right now and it is not a thrust against Omaha, it's for Omaha and to strengthen the medical college and the whole research idea and all of the research work that's in place now and that will continue to be in place. So I would hope you would support my...this part of my amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Hartnett, please. Thank you, that won't be necessary, no other lights on. Senator Crosby, would you like to close on the first part of the divided question?

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I won't take any more time on it because I think everything has been said and I think you understand the points that I have been trying to make and I just urge you to vote for the first part of the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of the first part of the divided question. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Please record.

CLERK: 6 ayes, 16 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Crosby's amendment to the committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The motion fails.