

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Hefner, yours is the only other light on, do you wish to close on your amendment?

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I think this is a good amendment. I think we need it because then we will be ensured that we will have the help of four other states. When Mr. O'Hanlon testified, he says, we believe that satisfactory progress has been made in the NCAA to change the scholarship limits, and so NCAA is working on it. So why do we want to jump the gun and jeopardize our good standing with the NCAA? Our colleges, when they play football or basketball or any athletics, be in any athletic program, they have to abide by rules, and the NCAA is the governing body. So if we don't like their rules, then we should do something about it. Then we should go to the NCAA, and like I told you before, Senator Chambers, I realize we have a problem here, but this is not the right solution to that problem. The right solution is to go to the NCAA and try to get that changed, and this is what Mr. O'Hanlon has been doing, along with some other members of the NCAA. So I believe that if we adopt this amendment, we would certainly help our cause. And, therefore, I would certainly like to see us adopt this amendment. Other schools have financial aid for the needy and so they are in the same predicament that Nebraska is in. So why not ask in this bill that if four other states would pass legislation such as this, well, then this here legislation would go into effect. And so I would encourage you to adopt this amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: You heard Senator Hefner's closing. We will now proceed to a vote on Senator Hefner's amendment. All those in favor of the amendment vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, I ask for a call of the house.

SPEAKER BAACK: We have a request for a call of the house. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 15 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: The house is under call. All members please report to the Chamber, take your seats and record your presence, please. We are under call. Senator Ashford, please record your