

PRESIDENT MOUL: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Okay, we will proceed to debate. Motion has already been presented to advance LB 67 to E & R, so is there anyone else who wishes to debate this? Seeing none, does Senator Schmit have closing? No closing. So we will proceed to vote on advancement of LB 67. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays on the advancement of LB 67, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: LB 67 is advanced. I would now like to introduce our doctor of the day, Senator Beutler would like us to recognize Dr. Rick Gustafson of Lincoln Medical Education Foundation. He is here today on behalf of the Nebraska Academy of Family Physicians. Welcome Dr. Gustafson. We will now proceed with General File on LB 325.

CLERK: Madam President, LB 325 introduced by Senators Morrissey, Smith, Rod Johnson, and a number of the members. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 16, referred to Natural Resources. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending by the Natural Resources Committee. (See AMO133 on page 531 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Madam President, members, this bill extends the deadline of the study for an additional, I believe, six months. Senator Morrissey can brief you on that. But we had some difficulties hiring a contractor to do this study. That has been done. SCS Engineering out of Kansas City will be doing the solid waste comprehensive waste study in Nebraska, and one of the problems we had was that because of a tight time line, the potential was there to void certain amounts of public dialogue and public meetings, and we decided that that was one of the most essential ingredients of the whole plan was to have some public input. And so we have decided that it was best to extend this deadline for the purposes of getting more public input. And as I said, I don't want to steal Senator Morrissey's thunder, so that is what the bill does. That was required in