

the processes by which the Research and Development Authority was functioning. After some deliberation and the hearing and some discussion, the committee amended the bill, putting in a phrase that said that the authority shall compile a list of all outside individuals and firms receiving in excess of \$5,000 in payment for services and file such a list with the Clerk of the Legislature on an annual basis. With that provision built into statute, then the committee was able to go back through Senator Coordsen's proposal and delete several other sections that in essence were trying to do the same thing in a different way. And so the committee amendment primarily is the inclusion of that particular language which says that they must file with us the list of names and firms that they deal with in \$5,000 increments or greater and, therefore, suggest that we don't need to have such a delineated process of some specificity associated with limiting specific investing into funds and provisions dealing with surplus funds and the like. So the committee felt that that was a better way to get at the same thing that Senator Coordsen was wanting to do and I believe he was a part of those committee amendments as well. And he may address that when he gets to the bill.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Conway. Senator Coordsen, do you wish to address the committee amendments?

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body, only to say that I support the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Does anyone else wish to speak to the committee amendments? Seeing none, we'll now vote on the motion to adopt the committee amendments to LB 272. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted on the committee amendments? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the adoption of the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The committee amendments are adopted. Senator Coordsen, for opening on the bill.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Madam President, in view of the time I'll try to be very quick. This particular bill came about at the same time that Senator Landis's NIFA bill last year and it addresses a concern that although the Nebraska Research and