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very similar to what we did with the mammography bill last year. We didn't have the money, but we put the structure in place that does have a tremendous impact on whether or not we are successful in getting grant dollars. Forty-three million dollars I think are now being freed up at the federal level to provide some money for vaccination programs in the states. We are not guaranteed any of that money. We must submit a grant. We must indicate that we have a plan in place for doing the vaccination program across the State of Nebraska. And so I do think it's critical that we take this opportunity to put in place the beginning steps to address the tremendous vaccination needs that we have in this state. And we cannot guarantee whether or not there are going to be additional costs to the state later. But at the same time, we are not promising and certainly could not do that for what the Legislature might want to appropriate later. I would urge you to support this amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Rasmussen. Senator Lynch.

SENATOR LYNCH: Question.

SPEAKER BAACK: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. We will now vote on ceasing debate. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 10 ayes, 5 nays, to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Debate does not cease. Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Many times I find that ignorance or apathy are really the barriers sometimes to good health care. And I don't know who to address this question to, perhaps, Senator Bohlke, would you yield?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes.

SENATOR PIRSCH: What kind of or are there requirements in the federal guidelines that will see that parents are informed and/or provide incentives for them to bring their children in? Could maybe you give us the scenario for that?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Senator Pirsch, I'm not sure what will be in the federal guidelines. I know that we had some discussion with the Department of Health here in discussing how we can make sure