

of 1994. In the meantime the federal regulation will come into effect and we will readdress this issue in 1993 during that session. With that I'd move for adoption of the amendment and certainly answer any questions.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Before we proceed with debate I would like to call the senators' attention to the area under the south balcony. Special guests today of Senator Robak are American foreign exchange students. They are Luism Garcia of Spain and Domingue VanDevyer of France with their hosts, Scott Sobota and Nathan Trautwein. Would you please rise and be recognized. Welcome to the Chamber. Thank you. Seated under the north balcony are special guests of Senator Hefner. They are Dean and Karen Benson and George and Kay Hefner of Coleridge. Would you please rise and be recognized. Welcome to the Chamber. And seated in the south balcony are special guests of Senator Bohlke. They are 30 fourth grade students from Watson Elementary in Hastings and their teacher. Would you please rise and be recognized. Welcome to the Chamber. Thank you. Senator Byars.

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you, Madam Chair. I think the explanation that Senator Wesely gave about how we came to be where we're at now is one that is very adequate and very true. Many people came together relative to this legislation that had been introduced by Senator Lynch and I think Senator Lindsay, Senator Kristensen were involved also. It appeared for a good deal of time like the infamous CLIA regs would never get here. We, who came together as a task force to study this problem and moved ahead putting into the Nebraska rules and regs putting those into effect, felt strongly that we should continue to pursue them. But at this point I agree I think most people feel that at this point we at least need to see if the CLIA regs will accept what we're trying to do. The medical community in particular seems to feel that those will meet their purposes the best. The medical technologists, the people that have pushed this legislation continuously, I feel just wanted some regulation. They wanted the citizenry of the State of Nebraska to be safe, and I think they're willing to try these also. I agree with Senator Wesely that we can, we have these in effect, and we can if we wish come back to, in effect, ask for "diem" status on Nebraska rules and regs, and we may need to do that; but, at this point I would support Senator Wesely's amendment and ask you to also.