

resolution should think deeply, because there will be matters of import to them and they will try to argue that everybody in the Legislature should be willing to help on this issue, even if it doesn't affect their area as critically as it does that of the one bringing the proposition. This one should be an easy vote. It is not declaring that anybody is a liberal or a conservative, it is stating that we believe education is important, we believe that knowledge is power, we believe that knowledge and education are transmitted through information, information is made available to some parts of the state only through educational television and public radio. We are not going to be so blind, so narrow-minded, so short-sighted as to say then let everybody in the western part of the state move to the eastern part of the state. Those are petty, trifling statements which don't lend anything to the solution of a problem. If those who would vote against this resolution could stand and say that the problems described for us by our colleagues are fabrications, that they have misled us, that in fact they are not facing a dearth of information,...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...then maybe they can justify their vote. But I have yet to hear anybody say that we have been misled. If we have not been misled, if the truth has been told to us and we believe that information and education should be available to all in this state, we should easily be able to go on record saying I support those instrumentalities which will make this educational process possible, instrumentalities that will facilitate our reaching the goal that we profess to believe in.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. Senator Chambers, I want to go maybe just a step further to make sure that we're clear on the record what we're saying this morning. And I want to be clear as well that if the Brashear amendment would have passed, my motion, all ready...had ready to go, would have been to kill the resolution, because it would have been worthless. What we have before us is a single issue and this issue is, do we, as the Nebraska Legislature, believe that we should send our representatives in Congress a message that no matter what happens on the balanced budget amendment, no matter what things are cut, and in the state it