

concern that people pretend to have, but which in reality they don't have because if they are walking down the street now and they see some poor, shabby person who comes up and puts out a dirty hand, they don't put money in it to help that person, they turn away. They don't want to be bothered. The person...their appearance is offensive, their odors are offensive, their existence is offensive. So what Senator Hall is suggesting is that these kind of things be brought out in the open, and if it is as easy as it is for people to turn away from those who are impoverished now, why would it be any more difficult to do so under his amendment, especially when the state has set out the direction and established the ethical principles? I am glad that Senator Vrtiska is going to support this amendment. Senator Abboud has told why he is going to support it. And I think on occasion we have to really show the manner of people that we are, and this amendment demonstrates that. All of this posturing about being concerned about the poor and how these bills are to make things more efficient and so forth, all of that is so much yow-yow. Senator Wesely told me he talked to representatives of DSS and they don't have any problem with this amendment. It is all right with them. So there seems to be unanimous agreement. DSS, which customarily has had the job of trying to minister to the needs of these people, even though they don't like them, but they need some of them in order that they, themselves, at DSS can have a job. They don't mind since...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...the Legislature and the Governor have shown what their attitude is, Congress has shown what its attitude is. They don't mind, as I was about to say, in rescuing the county from the onerous burden and responsibilities of taking care of these ne'er-do-wells. Didn't Jesus say the poor you will always have with you, so there is no way to get rid of them until now, until now. This is the most realistic chance there has ever been presented to a state to actually eradicate the poor, and this amendment will do it. And then it can be a pattern for all the rest of the country. For once, Nebraska will have shown the way to solving a problem that Jesus didn't even think could be solved, and that is to get rid of these poor people. Senator Hall, I applaud you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Vrtiska.