

as a priority bill because we need to have somebody to mind the store. I mean we simply have to have somebody accountable for the situations we are in. With the cost of buildings, with the cost of everything going up, maintenance and so on, needs to be somebody in charge. I think LB 530 does this and so I will support the amendments and I urge you to do that also. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Lynch.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. Speaker and members, I also rise in support of the amendment. I will not repeat the amendment. It covers a number of the issues and concerns that were raised such as naming one security at Lake Ogallala out in Senator Matzke's district, legitimate concerns. We promised that before we got to Select we'd hopefully have these worked out, but I would like to thank Senator Cudaback for taking this bill as a priority at this point in time and also thank Senator Wickersham and the other senators involved with the amendment and their staff in helping to work out this language. This is a very important piece of legislation which will provide for us an opportunity to better manage what we already have. Hopefully it will have because of that, a positive impact on how much we spend in the state and because of how we manage the space we use. So I support the amendment and would encourage and appreciate your support for the amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Lynch. Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I just want to stand in support of the Wickersham amendment and also the passage of the bill. We worked very closely with Senator Lynch and the 309 Committee as this bill went through the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee and as Senator Lynch says that I think there will be some economies for the State of Nebraska as we move through the next few years with this bill, so I'd urge all of you to support the Wickersham amendment and the passage of LB 530. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Wickersham, to close. Closing is waived. Question is adoption of the Wickersham amendment. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Wickersham's amendment.