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general store operator leaves, it hurts us all. It really does. Anything you can do to help the big picture, do it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Vrtiska, on the Chambers amendment.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I rise in support of the Chambers amendment and the bill. Some of the things that have been said here certainly don't need to be repeated because they were, in fact, true. I was interested in listening to Senator Wehrbein give his explanation of why he supports the Chambers amendment and why he supports the bill. It's the same reason that I rise to support the bill, the fact that we're losing too many of our young men out of the rural sector of this state and will continue to happen, and as Senator Wehrbein indicated, we've reached that point in history where the agricultural industry will be in the hands of a few and not very many young people are going to want to turn to agriculture because of the lack of income, the lack of a future. So this is one of those bills, with the changes that Senator Chambers has made, is right on target. I think we ought to...I think every member of this body should support this kind of legislation because it doesn't just affect rural Nebraska, it affects the entire state. Anytime we bring more sales tax, more income tax, and that's what this will basically do in the long term, we tend to help the entire state. So I would hope that each of you, given your position in life and where you live, can understand that this is not strictly a rural, piece of rural legislation. It is a piece of legislation for the entire state of Nebraska, and for that we need to keep...we need to keep our target on what it's actually going to do and that's provide a incentive for younger men to, in fact, get into the business of agriculture. And with that, I will turn the rest of my time back to the Chair.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Senator Lynch, on the Chambers amendment. Do I see five hands? I see five hands. The question is, shall debate cease? Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.