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state, have any interest in seeing that this is done in western Nebraska?

SENATOR SMITH: Because everyone else has spoken favorably about it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So then it should be a popularity contest or an opinion poll, and if enough people speak for something then we should support it? Is that the principle you're laying down today, Senator Smith?

SENATOR SMITH: Perhaps.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I want something more. Oh, that's right, you're running for Congress. Thank you. I guess "perhaps" is about as solid an answer as I can get. But, in listening to what has been said,...

SENATOR JANSSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...it does seem that this is a worthwhile project. And despite the fact that I live on the eastern side of Nebraska, I do take a very keen interest in what happens to people all over this state and in other parts of the country, as I might make plain before the morning is over, but not on this particular bill. I'm looking over at Senator Fischer and I want to say she looks might spiffy this morning. And watching her on the screen is what really made me come up here to say I'll support this bill. (Laughter)

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Don Pederson, please.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, in the Appropriations Committee, we are just starting now to go through what I might call a prioritization of the various proposals for spending this year. Believe me, there are a limited number of dollars to be spent. And I'm not opposed to this bill at all. I'm just saying that we have to consider this in conjunction with all of the other proposals that we are going to have to consider. And this is a million dollars, and we