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that, I think we should follow Senator Flood's lead and, being as we can do it now under the Nebraska Constitution, and if the universities, colleges, and so forth want to take a chance, so be it. Let them do it. But why pass more legislation if it conflicts with federal legislation? Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Engel. Senator Johnson, followed by Senator Wehrbein. Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Senator Cudaback, members of the body, last night we had a very lively and good discussion about growing Nebraska. We pointed out that there were 73 of our 93 counties that reached their peak population in 1930 or before. As best I can figure out, only Buffalo and Platte Counties, west of the Omaha-Lincoln corridor, have gained population without immigration. We're worse off than we talked about last night if we don't want to call...to include our illegal or undocumented people in our population. Fortunately, one of the things that does occur is that when it comes to counting the census, we do count these people, and that counts an awful lot when that happens. Now, one of the things that we really come down here...to here is, this is, as other people have mentioned, this isn't immigration policy. This is economic policy for Nebraska. It's pure and simple economic policy for Nebraska. Fifteen years from now do we want an uneducated work force with low pay and also low tax production, or do we want high-income people that produce a lot of tax money to help run this state? I seldom talk about personal things on this floor, but tonight they're appropriate. My father came to this country when he was six years old. His family went to the coal mines of Pennsylvania. I would suggest to you that the packing plants are Nebraska's "coal mines." He must have been quite intelligent because, for somehow or other, he was able to work his way out of the coal mines and actually ended up with a Ph.D. A generation later, one of his children was in New York City helping pick the next President of the United States. What I closed with last night, and it needs to be said again today, is this: He that is best able to adjust to change will be the most successful. This is one more adjustment we need to do, and if we don't do it we won't be as successful as we could be. Thank you.