Mr. President, new bill. (LBs 537-538. Read for the first time by title. See page 268 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair is pleased to announce that Senator Jacklyn Smith of Hastings has visiting the Legislature today Dr. Robert Schlock and 20 students from Hastings College, specifically, psychology and law class, in the east balcony, the rear balcony. Dr. Schlock, would you and your students please stand and be recognized by your Legislature. Thank you. We are pleased to have you visiting with us today. Also under the north balcony from David City High School, Senator Schmit announces the following guests, 8 students from David City High School with their teacher. Would you folks please stand and be recognized. Thank you for visiting. We are glad to have you. Mr. Clerk, more bill introductions, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, first of all, your Committee on Urban Affairs, whose Chair is Senator Hartnett, to whom was referred LB 53, instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation that it be advanced to General File; LB 57 General File; LB 123 General File, all signed by Senator Hartnett as Chair of the committee.

Mr. President, new bills. (LBs 539-557 read for the first time by title. See pages 269-72 the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR HEFNER PRESIDING

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. Clerk, do you have some more bills to introduce?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Yes, I do, Mr. President. (LBs 558-593 read for the first time by title. See pages 273-81 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR HEFNER: Do you want to read the bills into the record?

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, thank you. (LBs 594-597 read for the first time by title. See page 281 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, in addition to those items, I have new resolutions. (Read a brief explanation of LRs 8-12. See

another bill in there, LB 253 I think, that addresses this same problem. There is really no need to have a hearing on this bill also because we've already address it. So I would just urge you to go along with Senator Elmer. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is, shall the bill be withdrawn? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 28 ayes, O nays, Mr. President, on the motion to withdraw LB 609.

PRESIDENT: The bill is withdrawn. Moving on to General File, LB 574.

Mr. President, 574 was a bill that was introduced by Senator Rogers, Senator Wehrbein, Senator Coordsen, and Senator (Read.) The bill was introduced on January 18 of this year. At that time it was referred to the Agriculture Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Rogers, are you first on this?

SENATOR ROGERS: Yes

PRESIDENT: All right.

SENATOR ROGERS: Mr. resident and members, LB 574 is my priority bill. And if you'll look in your bill books you will see that it is a very, very simple proposal. LB 574 does two things. First, it directs the Department of Agriculture to take a look at the pseudo rabies problem and develop a plan to eradicate that disease in Nebraska swine industry. The second thing that it does is provide some ongoing direction to the Department of Agriculture to continue to work on other livestock diseases, such as cattle brucellosis, which has nearly been eradicated in our state. This is important for several reasons. Since I introduced the control act of 775, in 1986, to control pseudo rabies, we've got a lot better picture of the disease. I've been on the PRV eradication committee for something like 20 Ten years ago we were not so sure that we could eradicate it. Some of you old timers, if you'll remember hog cholera, I can remember when I was a kid they said you couldn't get rid of it. Now a days it's eradicated, you can't even buy

vaccine for it. So we feel very confident that we can eradicate pseudo rabies. We need this bill so the department will start a program, develop a program for an eradication plan. been a lot of consensus from pork producers. The only way protect ourselves is to eradicate it, I mean it's a very costly disease for the industry. In the long haul it can affect our hogs that move on to market, especially in Nebraska because as far as breeding stock is concerned a lot of states will not allow hogs to be transported across state lines unless they have been tested. If we can eradicate it, then that is just one less expense to the producer. You know, if we eliminate hog cholera, it's kind of like a tax incentive bill because I've got some figures that I'll give after while what it has cost some producers, how much income tax that was lost to the state, how much sales tax was lost to the state. I've been asked by several people, what are the producers themselves doing for this? The National Pork Producers Council has spent probably around \$200,000, in 1988 and '89, on pseudo rabies. The federal veterinary services will spend \$183,000 in 1989. The Nebraska Pork Producers are funding a project through the University of Nebraska, which we will pay for to get a cost analysis on PRV to see what it does cost the state. For right now I mean I'll let it go at that, Mr. President, and then I'll have some other figures later on.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Coordsen, please, then Senator Elmer.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the I rise to support the advancement of 574. About 150 years ago, when I was 17-years old, I bought about 40 little feeder pigs, and they'd been shipped into Nebraska from Kansas. I put them in the barn and gosh I was proud of them. been vaccinated for hog cholera. The only problem was that dad had never had hog cholera on the place, and never had any trouble with it and had not vaccinated his. He had 150 or so hogs ready for market. Folks, when hog cholera struck, since I brought it on the place with the feeder pigs that I'd bought, we had piles of dead butcher hogs that we drug out for the ... drug out, I guess. We pulled out of the lots, were four and five and six hogs deep waiting for the rendering truck to come. not exactly the situation we're talking about with PRV or pseudo rabies because we're not going to see that type of devastation. But at that time we thought that this was something that couldn't be eradicated, it simply was so widespread that we

couldn't get rid of it. The cooperation between the federal government, state government and the producers resulted in the elimination of hog cholera. Pseudo rabies is not a disease that affects the consumer of pork, it's not transmissible to humans, but it's one that has a severe economic impact upon the people that are producing hogs in the State of Nebraska. Rogers will be detailing, I think, the economic impact a little bit more in later testimony. But I would say to you this morning at this time that the pork industry is part of the production capacity of the State of Nebraska, depending upon the price and the level of production can bring in a gross into an in-flow of money of a billion dollars or more. It's essential that we pass this bill, we appropriate the money. I think it's a relatively small amount of money, \$150,000 perhaps to begin this program, and to continue the program. The people who are out there producing pork in Nebraska are going to spend a lot more than that, but it's essential to have a program, because an individual producer can, in fact, depopulate his premises, can clean up his own herd, he can buy clean breeding stock. But as long as we have reservoirs of infection in the State of Nebraska, it's almost impossible for him to insure himself against future reinfection. And it is serious to him, it can put him out of business. We've had several instances where we've had premiere, seed stock producers in Nebraska that have been infected, in spite of, in spite of all of the controls that they could put in place. It's essential that we begin the effort. It should have been started 20 years ago when the disease first appeared in Nebraska, when it was on a very limited basis. But we must start the effort today with the advancement of this bill so that in the future...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ... the economic potential of pork production for the whole State of Nebraska will be enhanced and we will be able to continue our dominant position in the production of this type of livestock. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Elmer, please, followed by Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Mr. President. The Agriculture Committee heard this bill. There were a large number of proponents and virtually no opposition to the bill. estimate for the time period that it will require to accomplish

the goal of the bill, to eliminate pseudo rabies in hog production in the state is approximately ten years. The brucellosis program for cattle has been in effect almost 30 There are only three or four very isolated, small herds where brucellosis has been detected as of now. That program is very nearly at its point of success. Ten years for the hog production is realistic given the fact that it's about one-third the time per generation of hogs as it is cattle. The program is of great economic importance to our state and I would urge your support of the bill.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Wehrbein, please, followed by Senator Schmit.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. President, members, I just want to add my support to this. I think this is something that government properly does. It's a very important industry in the State of Nebraska, swine industry is, \$700 million plus, and it's going to continue to grow with its location, just as our cattle feeding is. I just encourage support for this bill.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, many of you will remember that I carried this bill a number of years ago. As usual I was about five, or six, or seven years ahead of my time. The bill failed by one vote on Final Reading. Glad to see that the swine experts, particularly Senator Rogers who worked very hard on that bill years ago, is on the floor today and is able to help us. I think that they've adequately explained the importance of this. I think in all fairness that we've probably made some progress in the last five or six years insofar as methods of eradication is concerned. So, hopefully, the bill will become law and will be a very major assistance to the swine industry.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Rogers, would you like to close on the advancement of the bill.

SENATOR ROGERS: Yes, Mr. President, I appreciate some of these comments. I thought I might just mention two instances in our state that happened within the last year of what pseudo rabies cost the State of Nebraska. The first one, they estimated that it's a million dollar loss for one year, and this is just one herd. And I've picked on some big herds, but there are hundreds

and hundreds of little herds that would have the same effect. This particular operation will lose \$5 million loss of sales over three years. There will be an \$83,000, they figured, decrease in Nebraska income tax paid in 1988 by this particular farm and their employees. They're going to lose \$400,000 in foreign sales. Their vet costs and their PRV tests come to another \$100,000. They're talking about \$1,500,000 in breeding stock that will be lost to other states in the United States. The other testimony, this producer had to repopulate a 1,000 sow herd, and he figured he lost \$130,000 in expenses from August to January, plus \$150,000 of income that would have come in And he said I'm sure that I had planned to buy another \$40,000 worth of equipment, which would mean a lot of sales tax. He says I'll not be able to do that. Now, realizing I used there a couple of fairly large operations, but there are dozens and dozens of smaller operations that would have the same testimony. If we could clear this up, why it just plain will mean more income for the State of Nebraska.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is the advancement of the All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, O nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 574.

PRESIDENT: LB 574 is advanced. We'll move on to General File, LB 224A.

Mr. President, 224 was moved by the Legislature yesterday. There is now pending an A bill offered by Senator McFarland. (Read.)

PRESIDENT: Senator McFarland, please.

SENATOR McFARLAND: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and fellow This is the A bill that goes along with the sports agent bill that we debated yesterday. It calls for a modest appropriation of approximately \$22,000, according to the fiscal office. That's primarily to handle the start up costs for the Secretary of State who would administer the ... or to write and administer the rules and regulations that are required. that the costs of the administration of the act would primarily be handled by the \$250 fee charged to each agent that registered. I'd ask for the advancement of the bill.

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. I understand that a Reverend Baker was supposed to be here this morning but Reverend Baker didn't show up but the bakery goods did show up. So we're going to have our own Harland Johnson give the invocation. Would you please rise.

HARLAND JOHNSON: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.) Thank you, Harland Johnson, for your invocation this morning. Roll call, please.

I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

FRESIDENT: Thank you. Any corrections to the Journal today?

·CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: All right, any messages, reports or announcements?

Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 574 and recommend that the same be placed on Select File; LB 224A and LB 132, all on Select File. (See pages 1034-35 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, resolutions passed yesterday are now ready for your signature. And, Mr. President, priority bills have been selected; LB 371, by Senator Haberman and LB 49 by Senator Dierks.

Mr. President, your Committee on Education reports on the confirmation hearing of Mr. Demarest Carlson. That's offered by Senator Withem as Chair of the committee. (See page 1035 of the Legislative Journal.)

That's all that I have, Mr. President.

Thank you, Mr. Clerk. (Gavel.) Ladies and gentlemen, I need your attention for a moment, please. (Gavel.) If I could have your attention for a moment. You will notice in the north balcony we have some special guests. You will notice on your desks you have something to eat and it is because of these ladies that you have this on your desks. We have six SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Baack. Senator Lindsay. Hall, would you care to advance 183A?

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President, I'd be happy to advance 183A to E & R for Engrossing.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You've heard the motion. the bill be advanced? Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried, the bill is advanced. Next bill, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next bill I have is LB 574.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 775 is on the agenda, we will pass over it momentarily, come back to it at some later point in time, waiting for information. LB 574 and 574A, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, 574, Senator Lindsay, I have Enrollment and Review amendments pending, Senator.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I would move that the E & R amendments to LB 574 be adopted.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Shall the E & R amendments be adopted? All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried, they are adopted.

CLERK: Senator, I have nothing further on that bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I would move that LB 574, as amended, be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: You've heard the motion to advance 574 as amended. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried, the bill is advanced.

CLERK: Senator, on LB 574A I have no amendments to the bill.

SPFAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I would move that LB 574A be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. For this afternoon's business, Mr. Harland Johnson with the opening prayer.

HARLAND JOHNSON: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Harland, very much. Roll call.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any corrections to the Journal, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and engrossed LB 183A and find the same correctly engrossed, LB 574 and LB 574A, all correctly engrossed, those signed by Senator Lindsay. (See page 1336 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports LB 371 to Select File, LB 89 and LB 89A all to Select File, some having E & R amendments attached. (See pages 1330-36 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have two Attorney General's Opinions to be inserted in the Journal. (One re: LB 490. See pages 1340-41 of the Legislative Journal.) And that is all that I have, Mr. President.

And, Mr. President, I have amendments to be printed from Senator Lamb to LB 285. (See page 1342 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. A couple of announcements, guests, which we presently have with us under the south 'alcony; Senator Korshoj has from Herman, Nebraska, Garnet Johnson visiting with us. Garnet, would you please stand and take a bow. Thank you. And a guest of Senator Hartnett, also under the south balcony,

and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 569E passes. LB 569AE.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 569AE on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 569A, with the emergency clause attached, become law? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 2636-37 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 45 ayes, 0 mays, 3 present and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: LB 569A passes with the emergency clause attached. LB 574 with the emergency clause attached.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 574 on Final Reading.)

All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 574 pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 2637-38 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 45 ayes, 1 may, 2 present and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 574 passes with the emergency clause attached. LB 574A with the emergency clause attached.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 574A on Final Reading.)

All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 574A pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 2638 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 43 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

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those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 2643 of the Legislative Journal.) 45 ayes, 1 nay, 1 present and not voting, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 603 passes. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LB 336, LB 438, LB 438A, LB 444, LB 449, LB 449A, LB 541, LB 569, LB 569A, LB 574, LB 574A, LB 575 and LB 575A. LB 603A, please.

CLERK: (Read LB 603A on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 603A pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 2644-45 of the Legislative Journal.) 42 ayes, 1 nay, 3 present and not voting, 3 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 603A passes. LB 611, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Abboud would move to bracket LB 611 until January 3, 1990.

PRESIDENT: Senator Abboud, please.

SENATOR ABBOUD: Yes, Mr. President, colleagues, LB 611 is a bill that's been moving along through the process with little fanfare or some fanfare but not a lot of debate. The bill itself has been whittled down to...or at least certain portions have been whittled out and other portions have been left in. But there has been left with some confusion as to what this bill will provide for. It's my understanding that there is no immediate local option for income tax for the local school districts. What it provides for is a state identification to be able to implement a program like that in the future. And, most importantly, it takes away all local state aid options dealing with state aid to education which is a considerable amount of money for local school districts to put our feet to the fire. Now when this session started out I thought that Senator Moore

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LB 209, 319, 323, 336, 354, 354A, 360 360A, 378, 378A, 388, 408, 408A, 412 412A, 423, 438, 438A, 444, 449, 449A 541, 569, 569A, 574, 575A, 575, 630 640 LR 219

While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 219. Mr. Clerk, where did we leave off?

CLERK: Mr. President, before we commence Final once again, I have an explanation of vote from Senator Conway. (Re. LB 209. See page 2648 of the Legislative Journal.)

Acknowledgement from your Enrolling Clerk, that bills read on Final Reading have been presented to the Governor. (Re. LB 209, LB 319, LB 323, LB 354, LB 354A, LB 360, LB 360A, LB 378, LB 378A, LB 388, LB 408, LB 408A, LB 412, LB 412A, LB 423, LB 336, LB 438, LB 438A, LB 444, LB 449, LB 449A, LB 541, LB 569, LB 569A, LB 574, LB 575A, and LB 575.)

Mr. President, the first bill on Final is LB 630, this afternoon.

PRESIDENT: If you'll take your seats, please, we'll begin Final Reading. (Gavel.) If you'll take your seats, please, we'll start Final Reading on LB 630, please. LB 630, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read LB 630 on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 630 pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: (Read record vote as it appears on pages 2648-49 in the Legislative Journal.) 41 ayes, 1 nay, 3 present and not voting, 4 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 630 passes. LB 640 with the emergency clause attached.

CLERK: (Read LB 640 on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 640 pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay, and I am reminded again for the second time today that some of you are not remaining in your seats while Final Reading is being read. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Mr. President, I would move that the rules which are now in our possession be adopted for today only, Wednesday, January 3, 1990.

PRESIDENT: You have heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is carried. The motion is adopted. Mr. Clerk, any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. The first item I have is a certificate from the Secretary of State certifying the membership of the Ninety-first Legislature, Second Session. (See pages 85-87 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a series of reports, the first involve reports from the Department of Roads on the Roads Operation Cash I have minutes from the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, a series of those minutes. have the eighteenth annual report from the Nebraska Public Counsel's Office. I have a report from the State Tax Commissioner filed pursuant to 77-1370, reissued statutes of Nebraska. I have a report, Mr. President, from the Department of Social Services with respect to the Childhood Licensing Act, again, filed in compliance with state law; a series of reports from the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority; a report from the Department of Roads; a series of reports from the Department of Roads involving the design standards incorporated in the state highway plan, the priority listings of those highway groupings and the current inventory and expended condition data for all segments of the Nebraska state highway system. (See pages 87-88 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, received the interim report from the Franklin Credit Union Special Legislative Committee. I have received also the annual report of the Franklin Committee required pursuant to resolution passed by this body. (See page 88 of the Legislative Journal.)

The Department of Agriculture offers a pseudorabies education plan pursuant to LB 574 passed during the 1989 session. I have a report from the Education Committee of the Legislature with respect to LB 183. I have a report from the Department of Roads, Mr. President, with respect to a one-year and five-year plan of anticipated design construction and improvement for all exterior access roads; a report from the Nebraska Coordinating

eradicate this very disastrous disease. We have bills every year that are called economic development bills. This is truly one of them. Every year there are some tremendous losses in the pork industry. When they have these large losses that means less income and less sales tax coming into the state coffers. Someone said, you know, why should the state help do this? It's very hard for an individual to always feel safe from this If we had an eradication program and we eradicate the disease. disease, eliminate it, producers won't have to be so concerned about their herds becoming affected. LB 574, a bill we passed last year, directed the Department of Agriculture and the Bureau of Animal Industry to develop a pseudorabies eradication If someone would like to see this plan, it's quite a program. little booklet. I can get you copies of it. It outlines what the plan is, how it will be used to do this particular job. Over the years, the cost may be considerable but it could be overshadowed by the net losses to the state coffers. I have another pamphlet that they developed. The University of Nebraska had done this for us. If someone would like to see that, it's another 10, 15 pages. It's an economic analysis of the pseudorabies program and it gives the difference between eradication, control or no program whatsoever. As I mentioned before, if we can eradicate it, I think it would be a very, very strong economic bill. On your desk is a handout, the summary of If you would like to follow it through your bill book, I will just run over it real hurriedly. Sections 1 through 5 are technical changes; 6 through 16 are definitions; 17 through 20 are also technical selections which also change the name of the that instead of calling it control we call it eradication. Section 20 states that the Department Agriculture and the Bureau of Animal Industry administer this program in accordance with USDA and APHIS and Veterinary These are federal entities. Section 22 establishes a pseudorabies advisory committee. Section 23 is really basically the start of the program. This would have every herd for the next two years, one test per calendar year would test and the producers would pay for this test. Twenty-four is the results of assessments that are required in Section 23. Twenty-five is all quarantine herds would be required to have a herd cleanup This would be a plan administered by the Department of Agriculture and the Bureau of Animal Industry and would give the department the ability to prioritize how and where state funds will be spent. And it also requires them to cooperate with USDA and APHIS and Veterinary Services on spending of state funds. Section 27 allows the department to enter into agreement with a