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will do the same thing. I think it's so vital for rural Nebraska that we have these medical services available and this is a bill that would help to provide that and I urge your support of LB 505. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I also rise in support of LB 505. Rural communities have facilities that have been paid for by the citizens of these rural communities and now some of them are standing idly by waiting for a physician. This is very important. These people have supported the facility and they will support this legislation in putting doctors back in rural America in facilities that are acceptable to practice medicine in. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES: Chairman and members of this body, I do support this bill too because I've got two hospitals in my rural area that don't have physicians right now and all the facilities are there and they're trying to get them and I've got another one in Hyannis that a young couple has just came into and they're really relieved and I think this is a good legislation. I think we should all support it. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Jones. Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Speaker and members, I want to share this other information with you. Since a census was taken two years ago, my area, Dawson County, Lexington, I'll show you what can happen when services come in and when industry comes in and so on and so forth. Since that time we did challenge the statistics of the Census Bureau and the new figures come out yesterday and it shows Lexington with a 29.6 increase in their population. So that just shows you what can happen when you increase services and when you increase manufacturers and so on to come into a community. So this will help all communities if we can only generate this kind of population increase in our rural areas, it would be that much better for everybody. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: Question.