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SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, just a question. Has anybody asked the Governor whether he wants this, whether he wants to do this?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Are you asking Senator Scofield?

SENATOR DECAMP: I guess I'm asking Senator Scofield or Senator Landis.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Do either of you wish to respond to that?

SENATOR LANDIS: As far as I know, neither the Governor nor the Executive Board has informed this body that they desire this function.

SPEAKER NICHOL: I was wondering, Senator Scofield, if you had that lined up as to who would appoint first, just for clarification?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: No.

SPEAKER NICHOL: No? All right. Senator DeCamp, we are back on your time.

SENATOR DECAMP: Well, the only reason I raise the question, I can't think of any issue that I, personally, think is more important to the State of Nebraska than this whole picture of Initiative 300, and I'm sure we'll discuss it more. I'll have my opportunity, I assume, to explain why I think it is important. I'm a bit frightened at the direction some of the opposition is going. The opposition doesn't deal in substance, it deals in intimidation and fear, and I think that is dangerous. I know that, for example, many members were told, well, we won't negotiate, we won't work out any of the problems. I think Marty Strange may have specifically told a number of senators this, we won't do anything as long as DeCamp is involved. I guess I think that if we are sincerely concerned about the issue on one side or the other then certainly that is not the posture to be taking to resolve the issue, that is the posture to be taking to try to make sure that one side or the other wins the issue. I realize, on this floor over the years, that in order to resolve any of the major issues you usually have to reach some state of accommodation, commonly called