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seem to me, I would agree with you conclusion that basically that the people in most cases, I'm not trying to be disrespectful to people, it's my observation and belief, most of the time don't really have too much realization of what they are voting for, and I would say that many commissions are in a like position, bit it seems to me if we have a gradual tendency to withdraw from the people at least they have the opportunity, whether they know or not it's certainly only accelerating in a small way, the whole sense of direction this country's taking and this state is taking, and I don't want to be impertinent, but who wants the bill outside of yourself.

SENATOR SNYDER: The city administration.

SENATOR CARPENTER: And why do they want it?

SENATOR SNYDER: As I say the feeling is that you put it on the back of the Mayor, he makes the appointments, he then is responsible for their actions, rather than saying that one of the commissioners does not agree with somebody or somebody doesn't agree with him. The people then go the council and the Mayor, and say look it, these are your people, straighten them out. I think it's a more direct access, like I say it's to a degree a change of philosophy on my part, from the time I've been down here, but I see this more and more, the lesser known offices do not gain the attention and we find people who might have a name that's known to draw votes, a good Swedish name perhaps, in Nebraska, and we find someone who really has no qualifications, now lets face it, it happens, but this way, I was satisfied with the check and balance of the stand point of the Mayor and the city council have the responsibility, when they appoint someone, it's up to them to make sure that that man is as well qualified a person as can be found as far as knowledge in Public Transportation.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well it seems to me in that line that it's certain you're going to have a new Mayor of Omaha, I have no knowledge or desire who it is, and I would think in a more, a thing of this importance, and I think it is important, and I'm not bringing it up because you and I disagree at times, that has no -

SENATOR SNYDER: No I realize that.

SENATOR CARPENTER: And I'm concerned about it and I realize it's a hazard either way, and I know the tendency for example in the centralization of powers over a period of time, to disregard anything except the opinion of those who have the power to move with this, and I would just think that because of the involvement of the city and the enormous cost of that city both in the area probably happening to subsidize this thing, may or may not, and the thing that basically that we all know that this type of transportation probably will not pay for itself, and I would hope that I'm not going to press the question, it would be well to hold this bill and introduce another one, when we know what the new administration really would want. You call the members of the council up and some of them will be changed, maybe none of them will be, they may all be changed, I don't know.

SENATOR SNYDER: None will be changed, in this next administration.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Huh.

SENATOR SNYDER: None will be changed, they serve for six year terms, and they were only appointed a year ago.

SENATOR CARPENTER: No, I'm talking about the city council.

SENATOR SNYDER: Oh the city council itself, but I'm saying that the present members of the transportation authority will serve