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limited session to handle the detail work that you really should be leaving up to the Executive Board and, as I understand it, that's all in the world we are asking right now is a sense of direction from this body. Do you want the Executive Board to handle the detail work or do you want us to submit every darn thing to you and take up the time of this body. We need to get a sense of direction because, frankly, there has been a couple of adverse publicity stories and it makes some people nervous when they get pointed at. Personally, I feel that we should adopt this motion and give the Executive Board the power, the authority to go ahead and do it. That's what you've got us for. But this is what we want to know. Do you want us to handle the detail and then if we do something you don't like, you can veto it or do you want us to bring every piddley thing to the floor and take up your time. Thank you.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Kelly, then Senator Nore, then Kremer, Stromer, Carsten, Mahoney, Snyder, Warner, and Skarda.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I intend to support this motion. I've been asked repeatedly what do I want as a new senator and what I want is leadership and I commend our Executive Committee and its officers for the leadership that they have and are giving us, but I would like to state loudly that my vote for this motion in no way is going to curtail my ability to complain.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members, this motion is an insult on the intelligence of this body. Anybody who would vote for a motion of this type would be a dupe.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, first of all, I want to disagree with the remark made by Senator Nore. I think we are making an important decision. It's going to determine the policy that your Executive Board is going to take and I happen to be a member of that Board. I think we are making an important decision. First of all, I want to say this about the chairman of this committee. I was not present on several sessions but every session that I was in, our chairman has accepted the vote of the committee and I want to say that. I don't always agree with him and when I don't, I may vote differently on the floor depending on the issue that is before us that has been decided by the committee. Now then, remarks have been made on the floor that has brought this thing about and we need to decide upon it. I say this, if we are going to take the time that we are taking right now to decide on a pen, or some little thing like that where we may save \$100 at the same time spend \$400 or \$500 just debating the thing as to what it costs to operate this Legislature. I think this is an important decision and what you people tell us to do on this committee, we're going to attempt to carry it out. We have a split vote once in awhile and the chairman has only one vote, the same as the rest of us. Whatever that committee decides by a majority vote, I'm going to abide by it in committee and again I say, when it comes out here I may vote differently. I am going to support the motion.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Stromer.

SENATOR STROMER: Mr. President, members of this body, I think some of the things I was going to say were very eloquently just stated by Senator Kremer. I would also like to add one thing, also, that each of you by now should have received a booklet with the complete statutes referring to the Executive Board and it should have been on your desk. So that, you can see exactly what the statutes say as to what powers this Executive Board has and what it does not have. Also, I think