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which you can get an unfair hearing. Disregarding my personal views, because I told my committee I would not vote against Senator Stahmer's bill. I would not make a kill motion. I would not support a kill motion because my views on district elections for the City Council of Omaha are well known. I oppose it, but I would not use my position as chairman of my committee to further influence, other than what goes on at a Public Hearing. I just would like to make that point clear. Anybody who is afraid of a Public Hearing in my committee is afraid of about anything we do down here.

SPEAKER: We are still trying to bring Senator Simpson's motion for a rereference of LB 448 to a vote. Senator Nore, then Senator Stull, then Senator Barnett.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President, fellow members, I think, probably, we're repudiating the move, motion that we made yesterday that 27 of you went along with and now--

SPEAKER: The chair would observe, Senator Nore, that the Reference Committee and the Executive Board are two different things.

SENATOR NORE: I wonder if we can do this, with the motion we had yesterday. That's the question.

SPEAKER: Yes, we can.

SENATOR Nore: I think (inaudible) the door.

SPEAKER: Under the Rules, the chair would rule that it can be done. Yes. The chair next recognizes Senator Stull.

SENATOR STULL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm a member of the Executive Board and also the Reference Committee. If you look at your worksheet, the Government Committee has 29 some bills and Urban Affairs have 12. Now, I don't think that it would make too much difference as to whether this bill goes to the Government or to the Urban Affairs. It's a bill which could go either way and I would like to say in defense of the Reference Committee's action that we do give some consideration to the workload of these committees. And I would agree, also, that anytime that some Senator objects he has perfectly right to try to get the bill rereferred. So, with that, I would move the previous question.

SPEAKER: The previous question has been moved. Does the chair see 5 hands. The question is shall the debate now close. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. The motion is to close debate on Senator Simpson's motion. Have you all voted? The clerk will record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 1 nay on the previous question, Mr. President.

SPEAKER: The previous question has been moved and successfully carried. The chair now recognizes Senator Simpson for closing remarks on his motion to rerefer LB 448. Senator Simpson is closing.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, it seems like I got a lot of oratories going over what I thought would be a small issue in asking the Legislature, only for one reason, and I explained this to Senator Snyder. I wanted to move this because I asked him if he could set the bill sooner and he said there was no way. I asked the Government Committee if they could set the bill early and it could be done. So for this reason only, I ask to move this bill to Government, Military and Veterans Affairs and I hope that you would give us the opportunity. We are not trying to short-cut anything and we're not trying to knock-off any committee. We only wish to get this bill heard as soon as possible with a full hearing and let the fate be decided. Irregardless of the