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SENATOR WHITNEY: Well what if 99.9% of the stock in this corporation is owned by Nebraska people and that tenth of one percent is owned by somebody outside the state, then that horse is not a Nebraska bred horse.

SENATOR SIMPSON: That's true.

SENATOR WHITNEY: I just can't see the reason for having trade barriers between states here, when people outside the state are interested in doing something for the state of Nebraska.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Well I'm not sure that somebody from outside of the state would have the interest of Nebraska in this horse, I would think that they would be looking after their own interest and so we are concerned about people in Nebraska raising horses, not tie-ins with outside citizens.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Well it would seem to me to have the opposite effect. It would cause people outside the state to have to withdraw their ownership in stock in Nebraska corporations.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Or they could move the horse to their state and register it there as a bred horse from that state, which almost all states now have.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Clark.

SENATOR CLARK: Mr. President and members, I'd like to ask Senator Simpson a question.

SPEAKER: Senator Simpson will you yield to another question?

SENATOR SIMPSON: Yes sir.

SENATOR CLARK: Who in the world asked for this bill Senator Simpson?

SENATOR SIMPSON: I beg your pardon.

SENATOR CLARK: Who asked for this bill?

SENATOR SIMPSON: The Nebraska Breeders Association.

SENATOR CLARK: I see, okay, thank you, now I'd like to make a statement on it. It looks to me like the Nebraska Breeders Association doesn't like to race against people from out of state. What is the purpose of horse racing anyway? Really the only purpose is in betting when you come right down to it. They're trying to restrict competition, they're not going to better the thing in Nebraska, they want to race against each other. They're afraid to race against these people from out of state. It's a restrictive type bill. I don't think it's a good bill. These people only want to restrict themselves, I think it's a horrible thing that we would do a thing like this.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Dickinson.

SENATOR DICKINSON: I think the bill is alright Senator Clark, in most respects, there is a lot of reasons, and if you talk to some thoroughbred breeders and they aren't all wealthy hobby play boy type breeders, some of these people are real serious and they enjoy what they are doing. I think in view of the discussion that has come up, if I'm not in correct procedure Mr. President, please correct me, but I move the bill be bracketed for one week, since the amendment is not available to us here to look at, I don't believe, and this concerns me somewhat on a lot of bills, when we come in here and all of a sudden there is an amendment provided and nobody