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maybe that I'm getting a little tired and old and not watching it that close, but here is a bill that needs actually to have another week's rest, because if we are going to abrogate all of our authority, then we ought to set up Omaha just as a State itself, and I think this is actually what we are coming to, cause I think it was Senator Murphy who in his committee that day, was objecting to this particular bill, at that point, and he said that he wondered why there shouldn't be some higher body that if the people of Omaha were dissatisfied with the rate increase or some other type of injustice on that particular transcient company, that there wouldn't be a higher body that they could appeal to, and here's what is happening here, is that we are taking away the last vestige of state control and saying alright, Omaha, that if your council doesn't approve of this 10¢ rate increase a year from now, there is nothing we can, the state can do, because that rate structure sits with those appointed members that the Mayor and the city council approve.

SPEAKER: The Chair next recognizes Senator Skarda, did you wish to be recognized or are you passing? Alright Senator Stahmer, we still have before us Senator Fellman's motion to return the bill for a specific amendment, that would be to strike the enacting clause.

SENATOR STAHMER: Well Mr. Speaker, personally I would like to thank Senator Murphy and all those at some time we've been in agreement and disagreement on Omaha area bills, if we can not only bracket this bill, but include his suggestion about a separate state for the city of Omaha, I think they, it would make a lot of Senators down here very happy and this would probably be the bill of the last twenty years, so I think he has got a tremendous suggestion.

SPEAKER: I wonder has everyone spoken on the motion that wishes to speak. Senator Fellman, then I think we are ready for you to close on your motion or whatever your pleasure might be. Well he tried to withdraw it, but we had objections, I think I detected.

SENATOR FELLMAN: Mr. President and members of the legislature, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw my motion in favor of laying this over.

SPEAKER: Are there objections now to Senator Fellman's motion to withdraw his motion? Are there objections, hearing none, so ordered. Then we have next Senator Carpenter's motion which is to lay the bill over, I believe for a week, was it? Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I think a week might be sufficient now.

SPEAKER: Now do we have any discussion of that motion? Are there any objections to laying the bill over for a week? Hearing none, it is so ordered, we will move on the final reading and once again I would remind the body we are still on final reading. Final reading of LB 84, the Assistant Clerk will read the bill.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Title Read LB 84.

SPEAKER: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is shall the bill pass. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. Once again have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: Votes read. 45 ayes, 0 nays, 4 not voting.

SPEAKER: The bill is passed. Attention please the final reading of LB 152.

CLERK: Title Read LB 152.

(End of Belt #3)