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section they are going to substitute. They pound on the boiler plates to see if there is any holes in it but, anyway, they are going to do away with the hydrostatic inspection because they feel it is misleading. For a boiler to pass an adequate, in other words a boiler could pass a hydrostatic test and they claim now that that's all it does is to test for leakage of boilers. I don't believe it but, anyway, that's what they say.

SPEAKER: Any further discussion of the bill, of the motion. Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: I still find out we are going to repeal the statute and I don't know whether we should repeal this hydrostatic test or not. Is this a fact? We want to get rid of this. We won't have anymore hydrostatic tests.

SPEAKER: Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: That's right. This will have a public hearing and anybody opposing this elimination of hydrostatic piston will have a chance to speak up. We will send notices to all the people that own antique boilers and let them know about this hearing so that they can come in and have their say.

SENATOR DUIS: Well, thank you very much and I am going to vote to let you have the public hearing but would you please be so kind at that hearing to find out whether or not rules and regulations aren't in effect or can be put into effect because the very thing might happen again what has happened now. See, we have to repeal something and they have had to wait an entire session to do it and I just don't like to see these safety standards get in statutes where if it's necessary to change them or alter them in order to protect the general public of the state of Nebraska that we put an inspector in a position where he can't do any different. You understand what I mean. I am going to vote now to help introduce the bill but I would appreciate it if you would find this out because we are so determined to have safety for the people of the state of Nebraska, we don't want to get it tied up where a change can't be made.

SENATOR MARESH: Senator Duis, I believe this is something that has been brought up not too long ago that this type of testing is hard on these boilers. That they stretch and contract and that it weakens the boiler so they think that since this has been found that we should make a study on this and that's the purpose for the bill.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Mr. President, I'd like to ask Senator Maresh a question or two.'

SPEAKER: Senator Maresh, do you yield to a question?

SENATOR MARESH: Yes, I do.

SENATOR KEYES: Senator Maresh, who gave you this bill?

SENATOR MARESH: It was a cooperative action of a man that owns antique boilers from Exeter and Rolf Shaw, the state boiler inspector who operates under the State Labor Department.

SENATOR KEYES: Now is this boilers that are on these toy trains and little boilers like that or what kind of boilers are you talking about.

SENATOR MARESH: Do you own one of these boilers, Senator Keyes?