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you can vote the amendments out. I don't care what you do. I didn't know you were a bleeding heart.

SENATOR WHITNEY: And I don't know what that means.

SENATOR CARPENTER: You don't.

SPEAKER: Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President, and fellow members, I wonder if this isn't another one of these mail order bills from some of our eastern liberals. I'm not against the bill. I'm not for it, but I just wonder if there is a great ground swell in the state of Nebraska for this kind of legislation. Senator Marsh, where did this bill originate.

SENATOR MARSH: This bill came as a request of the Commissioners of the Equal Opportunity Commission who are appointed to their position to serve the members...the citizens of the state of Nebraska. They are appointed by the Governor of several different years, not just by one Governor, and they serve for a specific length of time.

SENATOR NORE: Thank you.

SPEAKER: Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, a question here if Senator Carpenter would yield.

SPEAKER: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Certainly.

SENATOR KELLY: Senator Carpenter, does the thrust of your amendments have the actions of the Equal Opportunity Commission in this area have their hearings in Lincoln or in the community where the infraction might have occurred?

SENATOR CARPENTER: Do you mean where can the hearings be held.

SENATOR KELLY: Where shall they be held.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I have no objections. I think they ought to held in the area in which they are...the complaint is made.

SENATOR KELLY: I would support your amendments if it does that.

SENATOR CARPENTER: If it doesn't, I'll support your amending' it to that extent.

SENATOR KELLY: That's the way my amendments are that they will hold them where the alleged complaint happens.

SENATOR CARPENTER: That's alright.

SENATOR KELLY: Then the County Attorney can be used but the object is to have the County Attorney notify the Commission so that they are involved in this immediately instead of having their work fall upon the County Attorneys.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well, my point is why don't they make a complaint to this Commission. That's what it is formed for. What do we want with the County Attorney. Why don't we let this Commission handle all these things and file their own complaints. If they are not going to do that, I don't see any need for their even being in existence.

SENATOR KELLY: There seems to be a feeling on the part of citizens of our state that the County Attorneys do not act