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seniors from Wynot High School they are from Senator Burbach's district and I know that Senator Burbach was up there visiting with them, so he has already made them feel welcome their instructors are Mr. McNeil, Mr. Reifert, Mrs. Stolpe and Miss Halvorson. Excuse me those are sponsors Mr. Reifert, Mrs. Stolpe and Miss Holverson. We are delighted to have you here today as visitors to the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature. We hope that you enjoy the proceedings. Additionally seated in the south balcony from Senator Maresh's district we have 3 Political Science students from Doan College, Crete, Nb. and their instructor is Mr. Ed McPartland. Again we want to welcome you also to the Unicameral Legislature. We are debating on General File LB452 which has been introduced by Senator Marvel and the committee on appropriations. We are speaking on the committee amendments on that and the committee amendments are under a proposed amendment by Senator Carpenter and the Chair next recognizes Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President, members of the body, very quickly I would like to sustain what Senator Clark just said, the Budget Committee was unanimous in this recommendation and I think that Senator Clark's subcommittee put a lot of thought into this. I think that we are focusing too much on the present administration and the present elected constitutional officers. I think that this bill isn't only good for today, I think that it is good for the next 100 years. In this age of computerization I think that there is nothing that we can do that is more important than to help assure that the use of these computers will be neutralized to the best possible advantage and they will not be controlled and handled by any one person or any one party and hopefully with five constitutional officers we will have the important checks and balances, I don't think that these people are going to allow games to be a paid, and I think that this is equivalent with the board of equalization and its functioning and I think that we are looking too much at the present and not enough at the future. I think that this is the committee is unanimous in this and both parties, both sexes, rural, urban and I would encourage the members of this body to support the appropriation committee.

PRESIDENT: Now we are speaking still on the Carpenter amendments. Senator Nore and Senator Cavanaugh.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members I rise in opposition to the Carpenter amendment. If you vote for the Carpenter amendment you are against, or taking out or eliminating the checks and balances. In the administrative services. Do you want to do that? I have a feeling that probably Senator Mahoney and Senator Carpenter are over here bird dogging for the Governor. I am here bird dogging for my constituents and your constituents who want checks and balances in our government. It is just as simple as that. Are you going to take the checks and balances out or are you going to put them in?

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