

LB 265

March 27, 1973

PRESIDENT: The question is to adjourn until 9:00 tomorrow morning, all those in favor of the motion vote aye, all those opposed vote no. Alright, the Clerk will record.

CLERK: 7 ayes, 26 nays.

PRESIDENT: Now we'll finish the discussion of LB 265. We are trying to take care of the Carpenter amendment, which of course changes the 180 days to 30 days, is there need for further discussion of that motion? The question is shall the 180 days, shall the 180 days in the body of the bill be changed to 30 days, all those in favor will vote aye, all those opposed will vote no. We are voting on the Carpenter amendment, to LB 265 which would change the 180 days to 30 days, have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 23 ayes, 13 nays, 13 not voting.

PRESIDENT: The motion prevails.

CLERK: That's all the motions Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Now, what is your pleasure Senator Fowler regarding LB 265?

SENATOR FOWLER: I'd like to move it to E&R initial.

PRESIDENT: Very good, Senator Lewis your light is on did you wish to be recognized to speak on the bill? Pardon me sir.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Did you say the motion failed?

PRESIDENT: No, the motion prevails.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Oh, thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: Well I had a reason for wanting to adjourn, obviously that didn't prevail, I want you to realize now what the bill says. That in certain sections the Federal Government is involved and that's with a number of employees. Now on the number of days, part of the time the Federal Government is involved and part of the time they are not. This bill is not that strong of an issue with me, but we have just created a position of being ridiculous. Not a strong pusher for this particular bill, but now we have created chaos probably out of a situation that was already chaos. It's like, you know we meet Tuesday and Thursday and every other Wednesday, we have confused everybody so thoroughly now, that we can be proud of ourselves, so that a person will not know exactly what's going on. I know the same feeling that you have this is defiance of the Federal Government and nobody likes to be told what to do by the Federal Government, and I agree with that, and I'm in sympathy with that much of the time, but you don't have any alternative now, and what you have proceeded to do is simply make chaos out of this bill, and I was thinking maybe if we would have adjourned that in some of our brighter moments we would have realized the problem and the hectic situation we are in. I just as soon leave the bill alone, as pass something across that looks like this which nobody can make any sense out of. That's enough.

PRESIDENT: Senator Stahmer. We are still speaking on LB 265.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President and members of the body, in a sense now with what Senator Lewis said and I disagree with what Senator Fowler said, namely to move to advance the bill. I think the bill would be better off dead.