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laws and that we would be taking away the right to the villages, and the towns, and the cities in the State from setting their own laws and having the State do it for them.

PRESIDENT: Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: In order that I might help myself on Senator Skarda's motion, I would like to ask Senator Barnett, a question.

PRESIDENT: Stand by.

SENATOR DUIS: Senator Barnett, I need to ask a question and in view of Senator Skarda's motion to hold this bill and it might clarify maybe the point that Senator Carpenter brought up to. Let me give you a specific example and see if the law, this particular law changes it. In our, my own home town, we have a highway 47, within the corporate limits, going north and south and we have a highway, I guess I better wait. He seems to be besieged over there.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett, do you care to respond?

SENATOR BARNETT: I apologize for not hearing your question because I was surrounded by information.---speak your question.

SENATOR DUIS: I was going to give you a specific example so that you might be able to answer Senator Carpenters and also clear up my mind as to whether to hold it, but in my local town within the corporate limits, we have a highway 47, State highway that goes north and south. We have a highway 30, that goes east and west and they intersect. There is about an equal amount of transportation on both of them which is tremendous. We have a railroad track which is within about 150-200 yards south on that, and this get s a long line of traffic. Now the city of Gothenburg requested, a stop and go light at their expense or at the State expense, either one, on that particular intersection and it was denied. They said all you need is 4 stop signals. All 4 ways around, let everybody guess when the next guy is going to start up. Now has that been changed in this law, because this is the case whether or not, a local community can control their traffic through their town or not in this new bill.

SENATOR BARNETT: Now on a main highway like your talking about, which goes through town. This has to be the approval of the department of roads. There has to be a controlling---

SENATOR DUIS: All right, then let's go right to the city of Lincoln, on highway 34.

SENATOR BARNETT: Which is "O" street.

SENATOR DUIS: All right. Does the city control it or not?

SENATOR BARNETT: Not unless, with the approval of the department of roads.

SENATOR DUIS: Ok, I think that's exactly probably what--

SENATOR BARNETT: I think he found that out.

SENATOR DUIS: In otherwords, this bill does not change that at all.

SENATOR BARNETT: No.

SENATOR DUIS: Thank-you.

PRESIDENT: Next to speak then, is Senator DeCamp. The motion is to bracket 45 on select file to February 1, 1974. That is the sole