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SENATOR GOODRICH: Wouldn't it be more fair to state we are now going to reconsider our previous action on it. WE all ready made a decision on it once. However Senator Stahmer is here now, I yield to Senator Stahmer and let him.....

PRESIDENT: OK, Senator Stahmer, what is your pleasure?

SENATOR STAHMER: I think that I can clear this up in a hurry. I no longer anticipate putting an amendment on it so I have no objection to having it heard now.

PRESIDENT: We reconsidered the action and the Chair is now we are now discussing LB217 and...

CLERK: There are no E & R amendments.

PRESIDENT: Strike the other action. We are on LB217 on Select File, what is your pleasure gentlemen? Senator Goodrich do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Yes, I now move to bracket LB217 for a week.

PRESIDENT: OK, now the motion is to bracket LB217 for a week. Anybody care to speak to that motion? Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Members of the Legislature, this is the bill to elect school board members by districts in Omaha and as Senator Mahoney pointed out on the floor the World Herald and others are beginning their campaign against it. To bracket this bill for a week is designed to give the delay necessary for the school board to crank its machinery and get into action. If there was to be an amendment which was valid it would not take a week to prepare it, this is strictly a delaying tactic whose ultimate aim is to kill the bill. I ask you to defeat this motion for bracket this bill for any period of time. Let it move on.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Stahmer. Motion is to bracket LB217 on Select File. Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President as I have stated earlier I do not anticipate any amendments on the bill. As I stated in my testimony as I supported the bill, I think that number one it wont make any change anyway. But I do think now that we have another element in the situation when we discussed the bill, namely LR19 which a is a constitutional amendment dealing with busing. It is amazing to me that many of the people are trying to help Senator Chambers and God knows that the people or the schools that he is representing need help are turning around and trying to do just the opposite with LR19. I think for no other reason we ought to see what we do with LR19 before we settle this bill one way or another. Because LR19 is 10 times or a thousand times more important than Senator Chambers bill in all due respect to Senator Chambers. It isn't going to change that much anyway but LR19 is not only important to the state of Nebraska but for the entire nation and I would like to find out what kind of rails what chickens sit on. I think that alone is reason to delay the bill at least one day until we have our discussion and debate and advancement and lack of advancement on LR19.