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this is not working to our satisfaction, if the auditor does not carry out the function of this particular bill together with our Legislative Audit Committee. It will be taken from him. But there already is established an auditors office with this capability, and I think that we should give that office the opportunity to work for us, the auditors is actually working for us. I see no inconsistency at all. I go back that this had been carefully reviewed. Other states..Kansas..I submit that you ought to check to what Kansas is doing before you completely criticize the cooperative approach.

PRESIDENT: Senator Mahoney.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Mr. President, I am sorry I have to disagree with Senator Luedtke who has been on many good measures. I agree with Senator Fellman that the ugly head of politics rises on this particular Legislation. There are many pieces of legislation in the past years that come back from the Governors office so that we can take a better look. But here today in 1974 you begin to see the first political act of the season. And of course if this is what the continuation of the Unicameral, non-partisan body is going to become in the next fifty days, then I'm sure that you are going to have lots of rhetoric and very little effective good government for the people. And so I say to you today, in my second time to speak to the Legislature that this bill should come back. It is part and parcel of our giving away our rights. We're saying to ourselves, and we have the spokesman of the opposition party who has already proclaimed that he will run for office, and that's his right, but I don't believe that this part of legislation we should give our right away. Be a Democratic auditor or Republican auditor, this and thirty seven states works and this is the tendency the trend and the way that the thirty states have researched this bill out. Why then does Nebraska, which proclaims itself as a leader in progressive government want to switch the time and pull it all the way back and say no. We're going different than the thirty seven other states.

PRESIDENT: The chair recognizes Senator Cavanaugh. The motion is to return LB 280 from the Governor's office. Senator Cavanaugh.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I'd like to support the motion to return LB 280. I think the issue is simple and probably has been stated quite accurately by the previous speakers. But I think, I would just reiterate the point, that the only power and responsibility that this Legislature really has and it's main obligation to the people, is to see that the tax funds of the people

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