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PRESIDENT: No, but I'll take the chance.

SENATOR FELLMAN: Senator Barnett, well I don't really know what the amendments are.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett:

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President. I move for the adoption of the amendments. I can tell you what it does. This is a bill that brought into the Judiciary Committee by myself. And it had to do with the eight track tapes, etc. that are sold in the State of Nebraska. And in this course of action the educational TV people thought that it possibly could affect them in the taping of programs, etc. So they asked to be excluded from this part of it, and that's the purpose of the amendment. Anything that's intended to use for Educational Institutions Schools or that type of action was excluded from this recording on this amendment. That's what the amendment does. So therefore that's all it is, and I move for the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: All right, is there further discussion then of the committee amendments. The question is, shall the committee amendments then be adopted. All those in favor please say aye, those opposed say no. The committee amendments are adopted. Senator Fellman back to you. Do you want Senator Barnett to handle the bill.

SENATOR FELLMAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. The bill makes it illegal to record and sell tapes that are commonly called bootleg tapes. The situation is this. The average tapes in a store would cost four or five or six dollars, and includes in them in the cost fees that are paid to artists, to the recording company, and these are subverted, or gone around by people who go into a store and buy one tape and then set up a little shop and don't pay any of the fees to the artists for the development of the record and this sort of thing. Then these are sold at a much lower price. By in large most of the stores in the state sell the regular..the regular tapes. There are some that are sold almost in away in many cases, that are referred to here as bootleg tapes. This legislation is passed in a number of states and really protects the legitimate interests that are in no other way protected. I move the adoption of the bill be passed to E & R Initial.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Well, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I'd like to support Senator Fellman in this legislation. We had a real interesting discussion in the Judiciary Committee. We do have about 9 or 10 reasons here on a sheet of paper that if anybody would be interested in it, I'd have copies made and show why we need to stop this type of operation in the state of Nebraska. Therefore, I support Senator Fellman in trying to get this legislation on it's way.

PRESIDENT: O.K. Any further discussion of the bill. Then the question is, shall LB 683 be advanced as amended to general file from E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. This is the movement of the bill from general file. Well the issue before the body is shall LB 683 be advanced