

that I think that he is misleading us, most of my constituents are all in the eastern part of the state and I have dozens and dozens of letters from all of the towns including some from Omaha and a lot of them from Lincoln and Fremont that are for this bill and I haven't any against it. I think that he is completely misleading us. The small business is against this bill, they are actually for it. We need to protect and give some support to small business. Yesterday we were talking about anti-trust laws, and if you are in favor of busting up some of the larger trusts you should be in favor of this too. Now we had a bill some years ago, we had the same argument on cigarettes. We have a fair trade law on cigarettes, it worked wonderfully well, so what is wrong with this. I would like to say again that Senator Goodrich, you are misleading us. Most of your merchants in this particular merchandise in the eastern part of Nebraska are in favor of this bill so don't mislead us.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now, I'm not trying to dictate what you do in this bill. I'm not in that position even if I wanted too. All I'm saying to you is that I don't care whether you kill the bill or you move it on. All I'm saying is that there are a lot of people here in the district outside of the city of Omaha who wants this bill. It has been endorsed by the retail liquor dealers which represents I don't know what percentage but those that belong to the association as well as those who don't. I ask you gentlemen, this bill has been laying around here for several months. Have you got any contact from the people in your district who are opposed to the bill? Have you heard from anybody? Now there have been circulized by the people who Mr. Moylan for example who represents them as their lobbyist and their secretary. He has had three or four mailing to every retailer in the state of Nebraska. There has been no reaction to this bill except from Senator Goodrich. I can understand what he is talking about and why he is attempting to do what he does. I'm only saying to you gentlemen that as far as I am concerned, I have no interest in the bill absolutely. I don't care what you do with it, except that if you are not going to move it on if you are going to let Senator Goodrich finagle with the bill and destroy its intent, and its application that is your responsibility and not mine. I would say that 95% of all of those retail dealers in the state of Nebraska including most of them in Omaha are in favor of this bill as a it is. Now I'm unwilling from my position to do anything except to move the bill on. I'm unwilling to accept any of Senator Goodrich's amendments, because they...he knows what he is doing alright, but he doesn't admit what he is trying to do. This is my position on the matter and if somebody wants to make a motion to kill it go ahead and make it and lets decide the question. It will not cause any bur in my hand but it will cause some blood somewhere because there are a lot of people in the state that want this bill. Now it is true that there is an amendment in there that is part of that bill that says that on distress merchandise, merchandise that they bought and didn't sell and couldn't sell, for obvious reasons, under those conditions, and those conditions only then could the fair trade price does not become effective. They can give it away if they want too. The bill does contain the provision that on the they implanted a 15% on the cost, not the selling price, in putting the cost of transportation. The bill also says that if the \$1.50 proves to be too much over a reasonable period of time as I recall, the liquor commission has the responsibility to lower or to raise it so that it is equitable in everyones case.