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SENATOR CARPENTER: (machine not activated) these amendments.

PRESIDENT: Alright thank you. Senator Epke.

SENATOR EPKE: Mr. President, fellow members, would Senator Carpenter yield to a question? Senator Carpenter, now my understanding is that the Nebraska Brand Program is totally supported by a charge for the inspection of the brand, is that right?

SENATOR CARPENTER: I can not answer that.

SENATOR EPKE: I think that is right, I'm sure it is. Is this an entity of government that we can take funds from the general appropriation funds from the general fund appropriation and give it to the brand committee for this purpose, is this legal?

SENATOR CARPENTER: NO, we are giving it to the Secretary of State to expand on his responsibility and take care of the problem that they now have.

SENATOR EPKE: This will be handled through the Secretary of States office?

SENATOR CARPENTER: Right.

SENATOR EPKE: Who, will the brand commission then decide how many added personnel they need to their staff to accomplish what you are talking about, or who sets down a criteria for this?

SENATOR CARPENTER: I am only guessing, but I would presume that in the field of which we are involved, he would naturally ask for the device and send it to the brand committee. I don't think that he would have too, but I think that he is the kind of person who is well qualified and would.

SENATOR EPKE: How many investigators do the brand committee have now, do you know?

SENATOR CARPENTER: I can't ask.

SENATOR EPKE: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: There is a motion on the desk, there are several lights up here and Iyou have opened up the subject that appears to the Chair that you are going to take considerable too....We are going to see what is on the desk then I'm going to honor the motion, and if you want to continue in session you have to vote the motion down.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Mr. President, I have no discussion to have this a....a....I have no objection to having this discussion tomorrow morning.

PRESIDENT: Yes, I think that is practical Senator.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I think that in the meantime, these are quite important amendments and this last one, I've only...I don't know too much about....I know that you have a problem and I have great respect for the Secretary of State and I think that he is a very efficient person. He didn't ask for