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SENATOR NORE: Mr. Chairman, fellow members, I think that this is probably one of the most important pieces of legislation that we have had this year to help the average common variety of businessmen. The history of anti-trust, most cases are filed but then it would never come to court. Now today you read the Wall Street Journal and the other financial news of the other big 10 oil companies and are being taken to court for anti-trust. Nothing will ever come of it why? Because big money will buy them out. It will never come to court. This is the history of it. Every since the only man that I know of in this whole history that has taken the large corporations into court has been Teddy Roosevelt. He was the man that said speak softly but carry a big stick. That is the way, we have got to have this legislation. I have friends at home who have been put out of business the last 20 years by what we call small monopolies and they are not too small they probably run maybe 2 or 3 million dollars corporation but they are operating in the Platte Valley and you know what I am talking about. You have got to start a little gravel dump somewhere and start pumping gravel. In about 2 or 3 years they will come and buy you out and make you sign a contract within you won't go back in the business within 10 years. We had a young fellow a real good worker started out the...

PRESIDENT: Senator Nore, I'm sorry but I'm going to call your attention to the fact that the motion is only to bracket the bill.

SENATOR NORE: OK, I'm opposed to bracketing the bill and that is the reason. I'm giving you reasons.

PRESIDENT: Very good, I'm trying to..

SENATOR NORE: I know what side you are on this...

PRESIDENT: No...no....

SENATOR NORE: Because I know where your contributions come from.

PRESIDENT: No, I don't have a side Senator Nore, don't say that. I'm trying to confine the arguments to the point before us and that is to bracket the bill and that is all. We are not arguing the bill, we are just bracketing it. Thank you sir.

SENATOR NORE: OK.

PRESIDENT: Senator Fellman.

SENATOR FELLMAN: Mr. President....

PRESIDENT: The only motion before the body and the only thing to determine at this time is shall the bill be bracketed on Select File or not. In the interest of trying to move the deliberations of this body, that is the reason for my interjection, and I apologize if I hurt somebody's feelings, but I have a job, I think before the body and to lead them in that direction. Senator Fellman.

SENATOR FELLMAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature,