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CLERK: The committee amendment has to be adopted.

PRESIDENT: All right, do you want to close?

SENATOR WALDRON: Not on the committee amendment. I'll say something on the advancement.

PRESIDENT: The question is, shall the committee amendment be adopted? All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote no. This requires 25 votes. Have you all voted? Have you all voted for the last time? I am about to call for the vote. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 15 ayes, 19 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Amendment fails.

CLERK: Motion on the desk.

PRESIDENT: Read the motion.

CLERK: I move to indefinitely postpone LB883. Signed, Senator Fellman.

PRESIDENT: Senator Fellman.

SENATOR FELLMAN: I've given my speech. I move the question.

PRESIDENT: That's very smart. Are you ready for the question? Senator Waldron.

SENATOR WALDRON: Mr. President, I have to speak against this motion. Senator Fellman rises and says we.....

PRESIDENT: Fifty seconds.

SENATOR WALDRON: We have two minutes left, there...it was three minutes after the hour when we started. I've been watching the clock, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Not as carefully as I and my assistant are.

SENATOR WALDRON: And....I'd like to say, I know why Senator Fellman's not....opposed to this bill. It's very obvious. He's involved in backroom politics in Douglas County and has been for a number of years. We all know that. Whenever the Governor calls him into his office, he votes that way. We know that's how things are. Republican politics are different in the City of Omaha. What we're trying to do is make them so they'll work for the whole state. You say this won't work? It worked for Nebraska since we became a state, up until six years ago in rural Nebraska, Senator. If you say it's going to destroy the party system, why didn't it all those times? Is the party system that much better now the past six years than it was before? I ask you that question.

PRESIDENT: You have about ten seconds.

SECOND FELLMAN: Mr....Is this on? I'd like to speak for all the backroom politicians and if I represent them, then I think you're really wrong, Senator Waldron, even though we're friends. I would be the world's worst example of the successful backroom politician. I think most people in this Body have made up their mind on this bill. I think the