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engrossed once in its form without the Chambers amendment. And so they most probably have that, it would only be a matter of moving down, getting the report and bringing it back.

PRESIDENT: All right. Senator Nore. The motion is to return LB678.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members. I would think this would be a terrific black mark, let's say a red mark on this Body if we should undo what we've undo this afternoon. It would show that we have somebody here that was weak-kneed and weak-spined and fell for a heavy....heavy lobbying. And I would like....do we have a record vote on this afternoon's vote?

PRESIDENT: Yes.

SENATOR NORE: I want to find out who that weak-kneed person might be. So I want a record vote on this.

PRESIDENT: All right, stand by. Senator Carpenter. Do you want to be heard?

(End of 5B)

(Begin 6B)

On the issue? Please turn your light off then, would you? Thank you. All right, back to you, Senator Stahmer then. Senator Stahmer is now closing on his motion on LB678. Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President and members of the Body. I'd like to take a minute or two because I think this is important. And the first year I came down here, I was asked by the City of Omaha and they approached me, I didn't approach them, to introduce two bills concerning parking. That all the cities in the state had all kind of parking laws and we didn't. Why? Because many of our senators didn't want them. Why? Because there was the lobbying, the terrific lobbying by the parking interests. And I successfully introduced, my record has been consistent, it might be wrong, but at least I introduced those bills and they were passed to allow parking under the interstate, allow parking around the city auditorium and under the new county building. I don't think this is bad. And we are still behind Lincoln or other cities. There's terrific lobbying. Sure there is, but that lobbying cuts both directions but that isn't the point before us tonight. The point before us tonight is that the amendment that was drafted didn't go after parking. It went after roads also. And that's the key element and you're playing with dynamite here when you jeopardize or possibly jeopardizing what was formerly the state statute. You're revoking that. You're re-doing it. You really have a new bill here and it is for that reason I am making this a motion. My record is as good as anyone in this Body's for not voting for special interests and you all know I don't give a damn what Brandeis or any of the rest of the shots do. I voted against OPPD's LB656 and all the rest of them and to think that because Dave Tewes or anyone else grabbed me is a bunch of baloney. I did this because I believed in it. And I think it's good. But when