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LB 257

SENATOR CLARK: This particular bill has nothing to do with the telephone calls that Senator Kahle is talking about from out of state.

SENATOR WESELY: It would not restrain...

SENATOR CLARK: These are only calls initiated in Nebraska. Is that right?

SENATOR WESELY: That is right. We cannot deal with interstate commerce.

SENATOR CLARK: Yes. So you can get a call from any place, Chicago or any place else, the kind of calls I get to put siding on my house and all that type thing. You can still get those calls. What I would like to know is what are you going to require these companies to do with the Public Service Commission? Are you just asking them to get a permit to connect the device or are you going to find the type of calls they are using, how many people they are calling and all of that kind of stuff?

SENATOR WESELY: When they apply for a permit they will have to put that sort of information down but that won't be part of the restriction. That is just part of the records for the Public Service Commission.

SENATOR CLARK: That is what the bill says now. Doesn't it?

SENATOR WESELY: Yes, that they would have to that information included on the application.

SENATOR CLARK: That they would have to have all that information. For instance, J.C. Penney calls their own customers, selling them merchandise or for collections or for other types of things. They wouldn't have any idea how many they are going to call. It depends on how many transactions I suppose they had the month before. This bill does not allow for that at all. Does it? They would have to tell them how many they are going to call, the length of the telephone conversation...another way to regulate people I guess. I don't know. Is that right? Something else to be regulated.

SENATOR WESELY: Well they will ask for that information but if they don't have an answer for it they are not going to force an answer out of them, I am sure, I would hope.

SENATOR CLARK: Okay, thank you.