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SENATOR MERZ: Well I think our problem is...what I am getting at, this problem is a lot deeper than what most of us have really come to recognize. It needs a lot of study and I'm with you on this that there is a lot of problems here but I just wanted you to know a few of the situations. Now we got little towns down there with all the way from five hundred to a thousand people in them. They are supplied by one power company. The rural area around them are supplied by another. Here we got two service trucks for the same area. We've got duplication of services. If we would set up a system that would work efficiently and not duplications, I could show you. I can save you a lot more money than you are going to save on these little rinky dink deals. There is major situations that is under our problem here instead of these little things and so until we get at the major problems with wholesale, retail and a dozen different angles to power rates, we've got problems in this state and I would like to see us head on the big things and I can't help but favor Kahle's kill motion on this small item and let's set up a resolution and help support a resolution that will get at the major problem in this state and really consider this. I think we shouldn't have a battle here. I think we should all get along because we've got a good state here and a lot of the good things can be done. So let's get with it and get down to the nitty gritty where the real stakes are at stake. So I ask that you follow Kahle's kill motion.

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. All those in favor of ceasing debate... Do I see five seconds first of all? All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. Yes, ceasing debate. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Debate is ceased. We now turn to Senator Kahle and the motion before the house. Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker, members, one of the first things I want to make clear, I think Senator Simon led us