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that you were going to when Senator Simon closed you off?

SENATOR STONEY: Senator Venditte, I think the only point I attempted to make and I think you brought it up in your inquiry and my answer is that I feel very comfortable with affording the Department of Health this responsibility and again I have to draw on the experience of the State of Minnesota. This is what they did. They held public hearings. They enabled people such as in Senator Maresh's district and I am sure in Senator Simon's also, the opportunity to attend these hearings, express their concerns and took these into consideration in establishing and promulgating these rules and regulations.

SENATOR VENDITTE: Thank you, Senator Stoney, and that is all, Mr. President.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Are we speaking to the amendment or to the bill? I will wait and speak to the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, I would like to ask Senator Simon a question and you may not know the answer but you might. Speaking at the hearing was a Mr. Richard Lutz of the Nebraska Restaurant Association. Would all restaurants belong to that as far as you know?

SENATOR SIMON: I don't believe so, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, they don't.

SENATOR SIMON: No, they would not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SENATOR SIMON: It is strictly an optional thing.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I think the bill is so essential that whatever is necessary to give it a chance to be passed I think ought to be done. It is difficult for me to believe that a bill of this nature if it affects the restaurant business so intimately could pass or be seriously considered without restaurateurs being aware of its existence. I don't know of too many bills which the Legislature enacts what