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the Kelly, second Kelly amendment.

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes. I rise to oppose the Kelly amendment, which is for obvious reasons, one of those very lovable sort of actions of Senator Kelly to either confuse, delay or, in fact, love this bill to death...one of the two. Senator Kelly is on both sides of this issue, and I think the real truth is that Senator Kelly is for his friends and we have yet to find out exactly who his friends are. If I could ask Senator Kelly a question, I'd like to get some clarification of just where Senator Kelly's great interest in Douglas County has come from.

SENATOR KELLY: I say again, I did not hear the question, Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Well I haven't put it to you. I just wanted to get your attention. Here's the question, Senator Kelly, you mentioned earlier that you had a lot of letters, and I was surprised at that since I have not had a whole lot of correspondence...one editorial in the World Herald and that's it, except for a few people who favored the bill, but nobody who has opposed it. I have had a conversation with former Senator Fellman now County Commissioner Fellman, who certainly opposed the bill. Have your numerous cards and letters, etc., have they come from that same individual?

SENATOR KELLY: No.

SENATOR NEWELL: Has there been...how many letters have you gotten on this issue?

SENATOR KELLY: I do not know.

SENATOR NEWELL: What is the basic feeling of your mail? Has it been in favor of twelve districts, or has it been in favor of at large? Just exactly what is your position on this? What is the mail? How is the mail coming in, Senator Kelly?

SENATOR KELLY: It's coming in first class, and yes, I'm on both sides of this issue.

SENATOR NEWELL: Thank you, Senator Kelly, that's exactly what I wanted to make clear. That's all the questions I have of you.

SENATOR KELLY: Thank you.