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SENATOR RUMERY: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I have a few questions from Senator Hefner if he would yield. Senator Hefner, do I understand your bill to just refer to state banks in Nebraska, banks who have been chartered by the State of Nebraska only?

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Rumery, I don't know whether I can answer that question or not.

SENATOR RUMERY: What about the banks that are in Nebraska that have been chartered by the federal government, national banks? Are they protected?

SENATOR HEFNER: In the bill we say... maybe I could yield this to Senator Murphy.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Senator Rumery, there is no way in the world the State of Nebraska can control or in any way affect a national charter. We do have a cooperative agreement of sorts at the moment between the comptroller and the state that he will honor certain Nebraska bank provisions particularly as it regards branch banking but we exercise absolutely no control over federal charters.

SENATOR RUMERY: I assumed this to be true. Senator Murphy, has there been any movement in the national or the federal level to make such a control of the national banks, prohibiting foreign ownership of stock?

SENATOR MURPHY: Not to my knowledge, Senator.

SENATOR RUMERY: Thank you, Senator Murphy. Senator Hefner, what about the state chartered savings and loan associations in Nebraska? Are they covered in this bill?

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Rumery, no they aren't. This would just be the state banks in Nebraska.

SENATOR RUMERY: What about the insurance companies?

SENATOR HEFNER: No. During the committee hearing there was some talk about this but I wanted to keep this bill as limited as possible and so at this time it would just cover the banks in Nebraska.

SENATOR RUMERY: Wouldn't we be suffering the same sort of