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Senator Dworak, yesterday for \$45,000,000. That could change the sales tax situation. I think that when we get down to the final go in all of these packages, we ought to have those together. Now I am perfectly willing if Senator Labeledz wants to vote on this issue today. If I am beaten on that, that is fine. I strongly suspect there may be some disastrous repercussions but I am not as good a counter as Senator DeCamp so I don't know how everybody feels about that issue but I suspect it is not going to be unanimous, just from a casual observation. I have made a legitimate request. I have tried to handle it very carefully. If I have personally offended anyone I apologize for it because you know that is not my nature as I have said earlier, but I am absolutely adamant in the position that we handle all of these bills within some kind of a close time line. That is my simple request. It has been done many times before. I am sorry that I had to go to a motion to do it but that is where we are and I ask that you support me.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair would indicate that we are under Call and all legislators are to remain in their seats. We are under Call. Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, members of the body, I rise to oppose the Lewis motion. I can't believe my own eyes what I am seeing here today and what I have seen here the past couple days. I agree with Senator Labeledz that there has been some of us who have been threatened. Says you vote against this one, I'll see that you don't get a bill passed this year and I don't think that is the way we ought to do it. I think we ought to take each issue separately, vote on the issue, up or down. I am willing to lose my share but I hate to be threatened. I think Senator Labeledz does not like to be threatened either and the same way this afternoon. I think that the Omaha residents have a right to know if we are going to pass this bill or whether we are not and it is up in the order that it should be and I think we ought to vote on this, whether it goes up or down, today and I guess I would have to say to you, Mr. Speaker. I believe it does take 30 votes to change the Speaker's order. Doesn't it? Or to overrule the Speaker? We are changing the Speaker's order here.

SPEAKER MARVEL: No, I think that... Well there is nothing in the rules. We have laid things over constantly without indicating it disturbed the Speaker's order. That is all I can say.