

of committee because I do not think it is fair for anyone of us no matter how diabolically opposed we might be to something to continually keep it bottled up without allowing it to have discussion on the floor but I want to point out that I, with all respect to my good friends, Senator Marsh and Senator Newell, that I have a very serious disagreement with them over the issue. The disagreement stems from my conviction that the ten acre rule rather than slowing the expansion or the urban sprawl will actually accelerate it. The reason that it will happen that way in my opinion, and I want to stress again that is my opinion and apparently it is not shared by very many people, but the reason that I believe it will happen is because if a wealthy individual chooses to go to the country, so to speak, and purchase land for a home, it is not going to make any difference to that individual whether he has to buy five acres or ten acres of land. He is going to buy the ten acres and build his home. The only difference is he is going to have nine and three-quarters acres of weeds and a quarter acre of lawn, whereas, under the five acre rule, he will have four and three-quarters acres of weeds and a quarter acre of lawn. The problem that I think will manifest itself once the ten acre rule is adopted by Omaha and Lincoln is this, that once those facilities and those homes are built in the urban area, in the urban sprawl area, you are going to find the city is going to be required to provide the services, the sewage, the water, et cetera, to those areas. You are going to find it is going to greatly increase, tremendously increase the cost for the cities to provide those services. Now I think we should just remember one other little thing. Just this last week gasoline went up to \$1.26 per gallon in my home town. It will soon be \$1.50 and then \$2.00. I want to call attention to what I believe is going to happen. It will not be very long and the flight to the suburbs is going to be reversed. If you have any extra bucks around, you ought to buy some of the downtown property because there is going to be an awful lot of us wanting to walk to work again one of these days and I drive 62 miles one way each morning down here and I can tell you it is not a very illuminating thing to have to drive and spend that kind of money. But what we are going to do here is we are going to increase and enhance and hasten the flight to the suburbs. We are going to spread that suburban area at a more rapid growth. We are going to increase the cost of it to the individual homeowner. We are going to increase the cost to the cities. What you will be doing is you are going to, if you want to say that, you are going to make the low income person, force that person to live in the