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going to have a district with almost three hundred cases more than District 21 which has been given relief but your districts don't get relief. Senator Clark, you are going to have almost 200 more cases than District 21 if this bill is passed and, Senator Hefner and Senator Murphy, you are going to have almost a 150 more cases than the districts being given relief and, Senator Chronister and Senator George, you are going to have almost 200 more than District 21 which has been given relief. So where do we draw the line, I guess that is the question. Do we piecemeal it together now? Do we add a couple of judges in a couple of areas now when the statistics do not justify it, or do we wait less than a year and come back with a comprehensive redistricting plan of the judicial districts? I guess that is the question before us. And do we spend \$150,000 or so to solve a problem which we have the solution in statute right now which isn't going to cost us hardly anything. I think the proper solution again is to wait for the 1980 census to be completed and come back with a comprehensive bill rather than to do this on a piecemeal basis and it is going to take less than a year and we can save probably \$150,000. I would ask for the adoption of the kill motion.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the indefinite postponement of LB 618. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Okay, record the vote.

CLERK: 9 ayes, 19 nays on the motion to indefinitely postpone.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion lost.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, I would move that the bill be advanced. I would simply make a couple of comments as far as Senator Reutzel's statistics were concerned for Senator Rumery in particular and I think this is indicative of why you should take a careful look at the figures that Senator Reutzel has thrown out. He indicated that your judge, Senator Rumery, had a heavier workload right now than the judge in Alliance and that is true. There are more raw cases in North Platte than there are in the 16th Judicial District but that district, as I recall, is about the equivalent of Lincoln County and your judge doesn't spend time traveling to five courthouses as does the