

March 27, 1980

LB 986

CLERK: 26 ayes, 9 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Debate has ceased. Senator Murphy, do you wish to close?

SENATOR MURPHY: Well, I would point out to Senator Koch that anybody who uses the word "swan song" has never heard a swan sing but I would also point out to Senator Wesely, who is a very young man, that he will never live long enough to see the day that I believe this Legislature should hurry to make a mistake based on the lateness of the hour. The mistake is as big be it early or late. If this bill is returned for this purpose, it will lay over until Monday. If at that time the Attorney General has not completed his deliberations, I certainly will be happy to release the bill because that is the only purpose I have is to get a decision from someone who is supposed to have the qualifications to look at these statutes and offer you that opinion. If the bill proceeds, the Attorney General will not give you, I repeat, the attorney will not give any member of this Legislature an opinion on a bill that has already become law. He has repeatedly taken that position. I think most of you have run across it at one time or another but I am very sincere in saying that I would like the Attorney General's opinion before we create something that could be very harmful, both to Lincoln or to any other city that may become involved in it. Senator Wesely is...no, I forego that. I would ask the bill be returned.

SENATOR CLARK: The question before the House is the return of 986 to Select File. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Senator Murphy, I am going to call the vote.

SENATOR MURPHY: (Mike off) I don't believe so, Mr. President. It would appear it is not the wish of the body to do this and that is fine.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: 17 ayes, 19 nays on the motion to return the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The Clerk will read 986 with the emergency clause attached.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Final Reading of LB 986 commenced.