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because it is direct impact of lowering the priority for construction as it is currently defined. It would adversely affect a whole host of road programs. So I would urge you to reject the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: I would like to make one comment before we go on and try to encourage you to accelerate the process. We have bills on Select File which you see on your work sheet and then we have, if you will recall, bills on General File. I would propose to go through both of those today, and then I also would propose tomorrow to start with General File and Select File once again. We cannot do this unless we can somehow or other move more rapidly than we are. All I can do is to indicate what the problem is. There have been rumors floating around that I am in the process of trying to bury legislation. This has even gotten as far as Hastings, Nebraska. I can assure you that this is not the truth. I am still the honest soul I was before yesterday. Did somebody call for a machine vote? Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. Speaker, I would just very briefly like to add my support for the Fowler amendment. It seems to me that as we talk about limited resources and limiting government spending it is important that this Legislature help to set policy for state spending so that we use our resources to the best advantage possible, and it seems to me that Senator Fowler struck upon a very reasonable proposal with this amendment that would suggest that the first thing that we need to spend our money on is to maintain what we have got. Obviously there is a great need to keep our maintenance of our roads up and keep our roads in good quality, and at a point when the financial resources are there to construct new roads that are necessary, and it seems to me that that is a reasonable policy that most people could agree is in the proper and best interest of the State of Nebraska. Perhaps there may be technical problems as Senator Warner suggested and perhaps there may be some other questions involved with this, but nevertheless the rest of the amendment is a positive one and certainly one we should seriously consider.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. Speaker, a question of Senator Fowler. Senator Fowler, was this designed to stop the West Bypass?

SENATOR FOWLER: It might help. If we can't do it through a system of priorities, I assume that within the Legislature