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LB 853

up here to indefinitely postpone...

SENATOR KEYES: Okay, write out the motion and I will sign it, to strike Section 15.

SENATOR CLARK: He has the motion up here.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Keyes moves to return LB 853 to Select File for a specific amendment, the amendment being to strike Section 15.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Now, rather than talk against Section 15, which I am not going to do, Bernice, I want to ask you a question. Do you feel that this is going to eliminate the packing houses from South Omaha one more step in eliminating packing houses from South Omaha where I made twenty-eight years of my life?

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator Keyes, all of my family spent all their life working at the packing industry also including my father. There is no way this is going to shut down any of the packing plants. We have six rendering plants there now that are operating. The ones that do not contract with LaPlatte or any of the six within the vicinity to do the rendering for them. As I said on General File, Select File, there is no way these packing industries will close or prevent anyone from opening one up, packing industry without the rendering plant.

SENATOR KEYES: Senator Labeledz, that green field monster that went in down there that doesn't work, there is a packing house and maybe two in Omaha that do not have rendering plants of their own...

SENATOR LABEDZ: But they contract the work to be done.

SENATOR KEYES: Now if we want to make certain that they are going to go out of existence because they will not be able to set up a rendering plant and you make money on a rendering plant. A rendering plant is one of the most moneymaking things that there is if you kill enough cattle and if you want to enlarge then you will not be able to enlarge your packing house and so you will automatically disappear from the picture. So I want you to know that after the effective date of this act, no person shall establish a paunch manure, and I don't want that. Rendering, bless you, Senator, I wish that you would take that word out of there