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LB 132

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Chairman, I move the previous question.

SENATOR CLARK: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I do. The question before the House is to cease debate. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting aye.

SENATOR CLARK: Ceasing debate. Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Debate is ceased. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would like to say something on closing and tell you exactly how it all worked out because it has been about eight months in the process and this is one of the ones I honestly am proud of as opposed to some of the others that I have to...anyway, last summer at the end of the legislative session, there was a meeting or whatever they have in the power industry up in Columbus, Nebraska, and the rurals were there, and the munys and the NPPDs and so on and so forth, and as I went around and listened to the different groups, they were all talking how they were going to fight this and do that, so on and so forth, and I am only telling you this because it has worked on this one and a number of others and it is a simple way to reach a resolution of issues. I went to NPPD and I just asked, I said, "I don't understand the munny power fight that goes on every year. Just tell me what it is you disagree with, under what circumstances you would accept a settlement." And they said, "If so-and-so would fall under Chapter 6 or 10, Article 6." I went to the other side and I said, "What are your absolute demands?" And they said, "We need it and we will do anything except that other thing." Put them all into a bill and start forcing them into the middle and keep pushing them and pushing them until they resolve it and I think we could do that on a lot of these issues. You just keep bringing them together and making them take one step at a time until they get it settled. The Governor said this is one of his main goals this year, to get this legislation passed and this issue settled, and I think with passage of this bill we will get it done. So I urge you to advance the bill.

SENATOR CLARK: The motion before the House is the advancement of 132 to E & R. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Someone is in trouble. Record. No, you can't do that. I am voting aye, Mr. Clerk.