

stand the pressure to declare a particular area blighted or substandard if a substantial commercial interest in the community wants it so declared. All you have to do, as the City of Lincoln has already shown, is go out and pay somebody \$36 thousand dollars to come to the proper conclusion and any consulting firm that cannot come to the proper conclusion under those definitions doesn't deserve to be rehired. Next let me suggest to you and I want to argue very strongly that I think Senator Johnson is wrong in this regard, that it is not a problem for Congress. If we were arguing the general manufacturing and industrial development bond law that would be correct but it is not correct in this case because we are not fearful of competition from other states. If Hinky Dinky doesn't build a store with industrial development bonds they will still build it in Omaha because people aren't going to travel to Waterloo, Iowa, or someplace to pick up a package of groceries. So the argument doesn't apply. The argument that it is important is what distinction does it make between the small businessmen and the big businessmen? And by what right do we prejudice the small businessman? Why? Why does the government step into the free enterprise system and say, small businessman, I'm sorry but you can't get the same two or three percent break on borrowing that the big guy can get. God knows, the big guy gets enough of a break by virtue of his credit and by virtue of his political influence and by virtue of his standing in the community. I believe this act would be unjust. Senator Newell says we're interested in warehousing.

SENATOR LAMB: You have thirty seconds, Senator.

SENATOR BEUTLER: That's fine, we have an alternative. Let Senator Newell come in with a bill that adds warehousing onto industrial and manufacturing purposes if that is the intent but I don't think that that is the real intent. The statement has been made that no other states, last point, Mr. Speaker, no other states have drawn the line. If by drawing the line we mean making a distinction between manufacturing and industrial on the one hand and commercial on the other, then that statement is simply not true. A whole number of states have drawn the line. The last time I had a chance to look at it was a couple of years ago and at that point in time more states had drawn the line than had not drawn the line. What we need to do today is to keep the line that we have already drawn because going beyond that would be unfair to some of our citizens. Thank you.

SENATOR LAMB: The motion is the indefinite postponement of LB 634. Those in favor vote aye. Those opposed vote no. This takes a simple majority. A record vote has been called for. Please record the vote.