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The President is proposing a number of changes and a conversion from a federal oversight function to one that would be dispersed among different agencies including a private corporation. And it is quite clear that what is now a national uniform system would be changed dramatically and there is a lot of questions about whether or not that is a good idea. There is a great deal of concern amongst railroad retirees as to whether or not they are going to lose benefits and whether those that have paid in are going to get back what they expected, and I think we ought to adopt this resolution just to call for Congress and the President to be very, very careful before they take any steps whatsoever in changing the system that has worked so well for the national retirees from our railroads. So that is the resolution. I urge your support.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion on LR 258? Hearing none, Senator Wesely, I guess that is the closing. The question then is the adoption of LR 258. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the resolution.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries and LR 258 is adopted. The next resolution is LR 259. LR 259.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 259 is offered by Senator Haberman. It is found on page 1343 of the Journal. (Read LR 259.) Mr. President, that is on page 1343 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, we always leave the best till last. Grant, or the Plainsmen, have won the Class C tournament two years in a row. It is quite a feat as in Class A there are only 32 teams. You are the best out of 32. In Class B you are the best out of only 64 teams. But when you come to Class C you have to be the best out of 128 schools and teams in the State of Nebraska, and when you can do that two times in a row, back to back, I think it is a great accomplishment and I would like to have a large vote on this for the Grant Plainsmen. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion on LR 259? Hearing none, Senator Haberman, I guess that is your opening and closing, and the motion to adopt the resolution is in order. All those...oh, Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: I think this body ought to be aware of the