

Lamb, you were there?

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, I'm sorry, the committee statements are not in the book, but I do have it here, except I have the wrong one in my hand. But the bill came out of committee on a 6-1 vote. Nobody testified against the bill. Mr. Dugan testified in a neutral position.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Let's talk politics for a minute just in case somebody here feels this might be political, which it isn't, because regardless who is the Governor he still will get his three appointments and whoever is the State Treasurer or who is the State Auditor will be on the committee or on the board. So I don't see how anybody could say that this is a political issue. I don't see anything wrong with having more input and if anybody sees something wrong with having more input on a board like this, they must have a special interest or some reason for not enlarging the board. It isn't going to cost anything. It might have better input, so I would ask this body to defeat the kill motion and pass the bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Higgins, please. The motion is to indefinitely postpone LB 136.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. I, too, heard this bill before the Banking Committee and I remember a Mr. John Rockford, I have it in my notes here, specifically said, Treasurer Kay Orr is willing to serve. And I think in addition to all the duties she already has as Treasurer that was a magnanimous offer on her part. I think it is wonderful considering the duties of the Treasurer. It almost sounded like a bid for the job, in fact, the way he said it. Inasmuch as they feel that we need two more people, I'm delighted to hear some of the debate this morning on this about balance because in a few days you are going to be hearing a bill on the Nebraska State Real Estate Commission that is made up entirely of realtors or people who have had real estate licenses and they only have one lay person on it. And I put an amendment on that bill to add a couple more lay people. Now, Senator Lamb, could you answer a question for me, please? Would you yield? I hate to ask you to yield to me, just would you answer a question?

SENATOR LAMB: Yes.