

construction completed because of the arguments and the times in court that are necessary to determine and to define what is reasonable. You are going to have to go, I suppose, a lawyer is going to have to go to court and define each individual case and see whether or not this ingress is reasonable. Is this egress reasonable and how do you define it? It seems to me like that it can do nothing except slow down a project, cost more for a project and delay construction. I urge the support for the indefinitely postpone motion offered by Senator Sieck.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler. Are you available? Senator Chambers, then you may have the floor.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I am opposed to the kill motion. I think when we have bills like this it is worthwhile to at least get into the record some concepts related to the ownership of private property. Whenever America is to be compared to a totalitarian country, a so-called totalitarian country, one of the points always alluded to is the right to own private property and that is elevated to the position almost of a point of religious faith or doctrine. There is no absolute ownership of property by people in this country. You own property or you are allowed to possess it and do with it what you will within constraints and you can do that only so long as a governmental subdivision or a school or any other agency that the government decides to operate for decides to let you do it. If they decide to take your land, they will take it, and they can do it by condemnation or by reducing artificially the value of it to such an extent that it is worth nothing in your hands. You cannot conduct a business on it and you have to give it up. I think this is a worthwhile proposition in this bill and I think it ought not to be killed at this point. When you deal with engineers and planners, if you could get inside their heads, you would see that the vision they have of the perfect city would be one completely covered with concrete and blacktop. As Senator Johnson quoted Oscar Wilde on another occasion, there are people who know the cost of everything and the value of nothing. We have senators in this body who are water carriers for the Department of Roads, the engineers and the planners. They will stand here and yammer day after day after day about the increased cost of a road but never look at the terrible toll that is exacted on the citizens. When we talk about what happens in the rural areas now with