

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the body, I think Senator Hall is absolutely right as the last few minutes or half an hour has shown what can happen and will happen to this bill if we continue and not sit down across the bargaining table and do work these things out because this is going to go on and on and on. So, therefore, I urge this body to support the reconsideration of the bracketing of 157. Thank you.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers to address the motion.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, the reason that the bracketing motion is being made, I think, is to try to give Omaha a chance to rally enough support to get their amendment attached to the bill. People do have a general idea of what is in this bill or at least know as much about this one as they have any other one they have voted on. There is not indecision here. It's just a matter of neither lobbying group being able to muster enough support to work its will without opposition. So I think the debate that has occurred has been worthwhile. It hasn't been any more extensive than debate on issues far less serious based on where those issues have been characterized by others so I don't think there ought to be a bracketing of the bill at this point. If you do get enough votes to bracket, I probably will refrain so that I can make a motion at a different time to unbracket although I don't have to refrain from voting. Anybody can move at any time to unbracket a bill. So the game that will be played is back and forth until one side thinks it has an advantage. If it sees itself losing that advantage, it will try to bracket or move to adjourn or any of the stratagems that are used, so I hope you will defeat the motion to bracket.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Hoagland. Is Senator Hoagland available?

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Mr. President and colleagues, I see no reason to bracket the bill. It's the way it was when we started the debate today. What has happened simply is two amendments have been offered and two amendments have been defeated. Now that happens every day around here when we