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University of Nebraska shall be vested in the hands of the Board of Regents at the direction of the Legislature. So there is very sound reasoning why we would want to know what's going on over there. We are not conducting any witch hunt. We are not going to do this for every professor that is involved in a failure to renew or dismissal. We have not done it in the past, we will probably not do it in the future. All we are doing is trying to find out what the motivation behind this particular one. Now, I'd be glad to answer any other questions that Senator Nore or anybody else might have.

SPEAKER: Senator Barnett has been asking for the floor and then I am going to permit Senator Nore to close, unless there is some objection. Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I've had a Section of the Rule Book marked out here for quite a while. In Rule 3 on Page 18, under Section 22, it says Investigating Committee. Now the purpose for me rising to visit with you is that I very seldom will stand up and agree with Senator Nore. I think you are aware of that, but today I have to point out in here that it says "The Committee on Committees may appoint other Select Committees when authorized by the Legislature. No Investigating Committee of the Legislature shall be created except by Resolution which shall set forth with supporting statements and so on, etc". I, too, question the fact of whether we have given that much power to the Executive Board to investigate. I think that if this investigation needs to be done we should do it under the proper channels or otherwise throw out Rule Book if you are not going to follow it.

SPEAKER: Senator Nore, are you ready to close?

SENATOR NORE: Yes. Mr. President and fellow members, I think in this kind of an action we are not fair to Professor Rogers, we are not fair to the Legislative body and whatever the Executive Board does, we're part of it and it's not good. Now in the appropriations proceedings last week, we met with several of the University body and one of the things we talked so much that we are trying to find out some way that we can get--more easily get rid of incompetent professors and here, over here, we're doing just the opposite. How can we keep them? So, that's the part I have.

SPEAKER: Alright. Now is there any further committee reports to be turned in to the clerk's desk or new bills.

CLERK: I have one report. Read. Mr. President, also a notice of committee hearing. Read.

SPEAKER: Is that all, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: That is all, Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Senator Syas, do you want to do your motion now.

SENATOR SYAS: I move that we adjourn until 10:00 A.M..

SPEAKER: Motion has been made that we adjourn till 10:00 A.M., tomorrow morning. All those in favor say aye, those opposed no. We stand adjourned.

(End of Belt #3)