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SENATOR HASEBROOCK: Mr. President and members of the Legislature I would just like to support, I just like to say that I don't believe it should be referred to the Executive Board for a hearing, I think it should be referred to a Standing Committee.

SPEAKER: Are you all through discussing Senator Carstens motion? Senator Carstens do you wish to close on your motion to suspend the rules, the question is shall the rules be suspended in LB 204 directed to the Executive Board to hold a public hearing, all those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. Well we have a little malfunction here, hold on. Please indicate your - thank you, I guess the system couldn't stand that many red lights. Have you all voted, once again have you all voted? The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 9 ayes, 25 nays, 15 not voting.

SPEAKER: Senator Carsten's motion is lost. Do we have other motions on the desk?

CLERK: Yes.

SPEAKER: Read the motions.

CLERK: Motions read.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Mr. President, the Executive Council by unanimous vote had a hearing and discussed the matter pertaining to the construction of twelve office buildings in the corridor. They sent me as a committee of one to meet with the building commission which I did. We inspected the physical facilities which were in question. I told them then that if they didn't grant probably this legislature would find means by which it could obtain the permission. The commission as I understand has said that this building belongs to the people, and not to the legislature, now there is no use in going ahead to attempt to create the twelve office buildings because this building commission will not grant you the permission. So if you don't want the office buildings built vote the motion down, if you do direct the Executive Board to do it, I'm sure we'll bring in a bill probably which is consisting only of elected officials of the state of Nebraska, and I presume and it's only presumption, they would grant the permission for the remodeling of these twelve offices.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Stahmer, then Senator Marsh.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President and members of the body, I would like to support Senator Carpenter in this motion, whereas I do not believe that we should not be spending money excessively, I believe actually this is providing space at a cheaper dollar per square foot amount than could be provided in a new building, and for that reason I think it is economical and I think it serves the best interest of the citizens of the state, because it makes the offices of the Senators readily available and handy to them many of which are not so available now for those sequestered on the fourth floor.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: I have a question for Senator Carpenter please.

SPEAKER: Senator Carpenter, will you yield to a question?

SENATOR CARPENTER: Certainly.