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PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Waldron, will you answer?

SENATOR WALDRON: Senator, it's the opinion of the committee that the 15% would be preferable to 12 but I think Senator Carpenter, myself and those interested in the bill, if there's enough sentiment here that thinks 12 is better than 15, it's just a decision of the committee members that 15 would be better than 12 and it's our judgment versus your judgment and maybe you have some difference of opinion there.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Well, I do have a difference of opinion on that. I thought 12 was enough but I'll not do anything about it.

PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion now of the committee amendments to 366? All those in favor of adopting the committee amendments please say aye, those opposed say no. Hearing no opposition then, the committee amendments are adopted. Senator Waldron, back to you.

SENATOR WALDRON: Mr. President, I move the bill be advanced to E & R for Review and I might point out that of course this is fixing prices in a sense and what Senator Syas said, we have done it in other areas. The reason we could do it in the milk area I think primarily is on the basis of health and welfare of the people of Nebraska. And you can phrase things where general prices for other products, it's difficult to bring them in there under health or welfare and that's what we did with the milk price and so I would move that the bill be advanced to E & R for Review. If there are any questions, I'd be happy to answer them.

PRESIDENT: Very good. Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Yes, question to Senator Waldron.

PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Waldron, will you yield to a question?

SENATOR MURPHY: This bill does also reinstate the permission to sell alcoholic beverages on election day, right?

SENATOR WALDRON: Senator, we struck that provision from the bill in the committee amendments. That strikes any reference to sale on election day. That is, the present law will continue to serve us until it's further repealed sometime in the distant future. This, we do not change the prohibition against sale of alcoholic liquors on election day.

SENATOR MURPHY: Did we also strike the purchase of beer on credit?

SENATOR WALDRON: Yes, we did. That is in the committee amendment. So you also cannot, it's on a cash basis. Someone deliver beer to your establishment you must pay cash.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Nore. We're debating 366 as amended by the committee amendments.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members, I favor this. This only puts ethics in business and one of the weak points of American business today is the lack of ethical operations, ethical pricing and we know that small business has made this country what it is and if we don't do something soon we're not going to have small businesses, because it's just that simple. This puts ethics into business.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion now of the bill? All right, Senator Waldron, do you want any closing on the bill? All right, the question is, shall LB 366 as amended be advanced from General File to E & R Initial? All those in favor vote aye, all those