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and much of this can be done with the supervision of this Legislative audit committee and it is our feeling, I think, from a cost standpoint, that it was unnecessary to set up a separate brand new agency to make audits when you had the auditor doing much of it to start with. We were talking about performance audit, compliance audit, and then those audits just to check whether or not the financing was proper. The auditor does choose the compliance audit, the auditing as whether or not the funds are being properly used. There is a great deal of overlapping when you get to a performance audit, the same factors. And it seems a much more efficient operation and equally proper that a single agency be charged with all the responsibilities in as much as the auditor is a constitutional officer, we felt that this is where it should be placed. It seems to me that as the bill is drafted, there is still direct legislative input with what the auditor does. I would hope the bill does become law, there was a great deal of time spent on it.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion of the motion? Senator Mahoney, do you want to close on your motion then? All right. Senator Mahoney is now closing. Wait a minute. Senator Nore, do you want to speak? All right. Senator Stull, your light is still on. Do you want to speak? Let's clear the board here then. Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members, I'm still a little bit undecided. The one thing that I am for, I want all the checks and balances that we can possibly get regardless of what it costs, that's the purpose. One of the main purposes we're here for is to have checks and balances. That's what....we've had very little fraud in government in Nebraska and I have....I'd like to ask Senator Marvel if this adds to our checks and balances of the operation of the Executive department, the legislative end of it and the judicial. Do we have the checks and balances, is this to add to the checks and balances?

PRESIDENT: Okay. Senator Marvel, do you care to respond?

SENATOR MARVEL: Yes, I'm going, is it all right if I assume a bipartisan stand for a moment and use Senator Mahoney's microphone? Now, what's your question again? Whether this adds.....

SENATOR NORE: Does LB280 add to our checks and balances of all operations of state government.

SENATOR MARVEL: As far as I'm concerned, it does. As far as I'm concerned, it, despite what has been said even over this particular microphone, this does not take from the legislative power at all but adds to and makes use of the State Auditor's expertise, adds to his staff to help us and I think the proper check is there through the committee that's created. May I repeat once again this isn't an overnight operation, this has been studied rather thoroughly. And I thank Senator Mahoney for the opportunity to use his microphone.

PRESIDENT: Now, is there any further discussion of the motion? Senator Mahoney, why don't you go ahead and close. Senator Mahoney is now closing on his motion to return LB280.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I'm happy that Senator Marvel used this microphone and I think that sometime it would be well if he came down here and had a little counseling and advice from the loyal opposition. But, I see this, that Senator Marvel, and I don't blame him, he's clever, I'm using words of Carpenters. If I was running for Governor, I would be firing every salvo I could get and every gun and every cannon I could have. And, that's the attempt and that's what you should be