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the only Unicameral system. We have to have our bills passed both the House and the Senate, and if they pass in different versions as they quite often do, then we have what we call a conference committee, two House members and two Senate members to try to get together and to work out a compromise by unanimous consent of the four members of the Conference Committee, and present those back to the respective houses for agreement or disagreement as the case may be. But we had introduced in our so-called short session 295 bills in our Senate. 392 in our House, and we passed a total of 168; 9 of which were vetoed by the Governor. So that was our short session in Indiana. I understand that you are already well over the thousand, nearing the fifteen hundred mark on bills introduced. You have a 60 day session, and that you will pass many more bills. And I don't know whether that means that you need more bills to regulate the affairs of the State of Nebraska than Indiana, or if we are just that much ahead of you to having started a little bit earlier in history in Indiana. But anyhow, I come to you today to bring you greetings from the midwestern conference council of state governments, of which you heard I am presently the chairman. We have a meeting coming up in Chicago of the various committees of the Midwestern Conference of the Council of State Governments. A working session of the 19th and 20th of April. Quite a few of your members are on those committees and will be there. And then we have an annual business meeting coming up in Indianapolis on the 7th and 10th of July of this year, and we are hoping for a good turn out from the State of Nebraska at that meeting. I've been in the Legislature 8 years, not the 10 that Senator Mahoney had mentioned. But my first experience in regard to Council of State Governments work and interstate cooperation started right here in Nebraska 7 years ago when Nebraska was the host for the Midwestern Conference. I remember coming at my first meeting of this type to the Townhouse if I remember the name of the Hotel-Motel facilities in Omaha, being treated very royally there, and being brought down and being shown through your facilities here at the Statehouse, these Legislative Chambers and then being taken out, as I recall, to the racetrack here to find out a little about the paramutual etc., which we do not have in Indiana, incidentally. It was a very nice experience to come here. I'm from Indiana as you have heard. I married a girl when I was in the Air Force, who was from Idaho, and it just happens that Nebraska, and especially Western Nebraska is about the half way point between my home in Indiana and Boise, Idaho. So down through the years for the last twenty eight years I have traveled through Nebraska probably more, and going around the state more, going through than I have many parts of my own State of Indiana. In fact, I know about every way there is to get across Nebraska. And I've stayed in about every Motel-Hotel it seems like or even cabins about 25 or 28 years ago when we started in your state. I know the ways to go across this state from either Nebraska City or Omaha, or coming in from Kansas as I would normally coming in from like at Falls City, or Beatrice, or Fairbury, Clay Center, I know where Friend is, I know where Fremont, Fairmont, I know where the different cities are going across here. I know of course where Grand Island. I've stayed all night quite a few times in Kearney. I know where Elm Creek is. I know where Lexington, Cozad, Gothenburg, I know where Sutherland is, of course I stayed at North Platte many times. I know where Sidney, Chappel. I know where Kimball is, that's the half way point, actually, when I get to Kimball I'm half way across from Indiana to Idaho. I know where Bushnell is, Pinebluff. I know where Haigler is even. I have friends that are now from Indiana that have come from your fair state. I've heard all about