

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted. Further amendments, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have some amendments that were offered by Senator DeCamp last year. I understand he wishes to withdraw those.

PRESIDENT: All of them?

SENATOR DeCAMP: With the dramatic improvement in the legislation I can now withdraw those amendments.

CLERK: Mr. President, I then have a motion to bracket LB 109 until February 6th. That is offered by Senator Maresch.

PRESIDENT: Senator Maresch.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President, this is the motion that I talked about before lunch. Let's give the people of the State of Nebraska a chance to respond to this amendment, and not do to the expense of having it printed. Let's leave it on Select File and bracket it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Shirley Marsh, do you wish to speak to the bracketing? Senator Reutzel.

SENATOR REUTZEL: Mr. President, question to Senator Maresch.

SENATOR MARESH: Yes Senator Reutzel.

SENATOR REUTZEL: Senator, I do not quite understand why you want it bracketed. It had been bracketed for over a year now. It holds some kind of a record.

SENATOR MARESH: Not in this fashion, with the cigarette tax on the bill. I feel it's a new bill now that....

SENATOR REUTZEL: The thing I question is whether or not you're going to need.... In order to get public reaction I would guess that you'd have to have a hearing. A hearing is not called for.

SENATOR MARESH: No, I mean let them write to us and tell us if they support this concept.

SENATOR REUTZEL: It's been on the wire services and everything for a week now. Nobody has heard anything.

SENATOR MARESH: It wasn't adopted though. It was just a proposal, it wasn't adopted.

PRESIDENT: Senator Newell, do you wish to speak to the bracketing? Senator Warner, do you wish to speak to the bracketing?

SENATOR WARNER: I might as well. Mr. President, I rise to support the motion to bracket. I do it in order to point out a couple of things. One is I would hope, if it is bracketed, that you would take a little more time to be perfectly clear on how these funds are used. Comments have been made that cigarette tax is used outstate. I want to make it real clear, it is true that there are three building projects in Lincoln and Omaha where there are earmarked funds. I don't agree that