

SENATOR MARVEL: Have you all voted? The Maresh amendment to LB 818. Have you all voted? Clerk, record the vote.

CLERK: 13 ayes, 22 nays on the Maresh motion, Mr. President.

SENATOR MARVEL: The motion lost. The amendment is defeated. What is the next motion?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Frank Lewis moves to indefinitely postpone LB 818.

SENATOR MARVEL: Chair recognizes Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. President, members of this distinguished body, I rise and ask that this bill be indefinitely postponed. Most of us are used to the arguments. This is the sixth year in a series that I've been here. My only disappointment was this year that Senator Schmit took the bill instead of it going to Miscellaneous Subjects, so I could see the guy come before us with a picnic basket and explain that to us, those that remember those presentations. Mr. President, it's with some degree of awe that I rise to ask you to kill the bill. Senator Dworak always frightens me when he has 14,000 signatures in his back pocket. I don't know if those apply to any and all bills. It's tough to get debate, Senator Dworak and Senator Schmit, Senator DeCamp, Senator Fowler, Senator Bereuter in absentia. Mr. President, the issues are very clear on this bill. The number one concern that I've had for the five or six years that I've been here has been the fact that the bill is so designed to preclude people from their continued livelihood, in jobs that they are trained for, in skills that they have. That has been the predominant issue in this debate for six years. It somewhat disappoints me that those who rise on this floor, with the most degree of desire, to see that everyone is working, Senator Schmit and Senator DeCamp have done that many times, talking about the guy not wanting to work, to come forward with a bill that would eliminate jobs for people. As those people always testified before the committee, I saw that those were people that would not testify in favor of bills that would eliminate their particular jobs. Certainly the issue of litter, and Senator Dworak has now done this under guise of energy and that is fashionable, we always try to guise those kind of bills under terms that we now know are floating through the country, that are fashionable, that everybody jumps on to and they demise in a couple of years. The number one issue, and I raise the challenge to Senator Bereuter and Senator Fowler who I think have serious intentions about the bill, I raised the issue of what are you going to do about those people. That will amount to considerable number in Omaha, people that have a skill, people that have a good job, even people that have families that are entitled to continue those. Senator Bereuter offered me a proposal that they could become CETA workers. Or, he said, they could always haul the bottles. We're talking about people that have been trained, people that have a job function. Now, with one fell swoop in this Legislature, it's our desire to make them unemployed. It is our desire to make them unemployed. The problem of litter is certainly a very serious one, and it's going to continue to be a serious one because of the way that we handle it, because maybe we have become a country or a state of untidy people. But to come in with this kind of a proposal, particularly by those who are comfortable, fat and happy, and no economic loss to them. They want to come in and say "let's do