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Senator Schmit is offering a bill and, Senator Schmit, you know that I am for introduction of bills. It is late in the session. Douglas County had time to bring in a bill because they apparently have been aware of this problem. Now all those conservatives and all those youngsters who did all of the talking yesterday or a few days ago, I want to see if it is just a lot of talk. If Senator Kahle votes to introduce it, I won't have any criticism of him because he already indicated while he was supporting that measure, that he right now is afraid not to sign a committee bill because he may have to use that route and he is afraid they might not sign for him. So at least he leveled as to what his position was, cold knee-trembling fear, but the others don't have it because they didn't admit it. Theirs is all principle and now we are going to have the opportunity to see, and, Mr. Clerk, on this vote, I would like a copy of the vote. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion on the motion to introduce Request #834? The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit for closing.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I don't know if Senator Chambers includes me with the youngsters or the conservatives, probably neither. I happened to agree with him on the issue yesterday, and as I said earlier, the committee was reluctant to attempt to introduce the bill but as so often happens the issue has been raised and the situation is before us today for the Legislature to determine which way to go, and which ever way the decision rests is fine with me.

PRESIDENT: The question then is the introduction of a new bill, Request #834. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. This will require 30 votes. Have you all voted? Senator Schmit, how long do you want me to hold open the Board or do you want to make a motion? Senator Schmit, I will call on you if you want to make a motion?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, I don't believe there are 30 people on the floor this morning. So I don't think it makes much difference whether you had a Call of the House or not. Let the bill die.

PRESIDENT: All right. Record the vote.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Once again the farmers tried to help Douglas County to no avail.