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one agency of government, and one department within a department, but the problem here is simply this, that we have an agreed upon proposal, that it is not in any way limited and consequently those examinations can take place if the person is willing to do so, and the department can still reject people on whatever criteria they form and so I don't think that there is a need for this. It does destroy the agreed upon, what I had hoped to be a compromise everybody agreed to sort of proposal, and so for that reason I urge the body to reject the Schmit amendment. It is not necessary and I think it will hamper what has heretofore been something very difficultly worked out through a long process of two years and I think is a reasonable compromise.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion before the House is the adoption of the Schmit amendment. Senator Schmit, do you wish to close?

SENATOR SCHMIT: I do, Mr. President. Once again Senator Newell speaks in terms of a compromise but who did he get together with whom to compromise. He left out the Nebraska Highway Patrol. I think that it is impossible to compromise unless all parties interested are available for compromise. It's just as if Senator Newell worked out a compromise on taxation and left out the rural people or as if I worked out a compromise and left out the urban people. It is impossible to compromise unless you have all interested parties there. Senator Newell says that my bill...my amendment will make a shambles of his compromise. His compromise wasn't a compromise whatsoever. It was something which he worked out in a four hour session. Shucks, we spent more time than that talking about grasshoppers yesterday and I don't think the grasshoppers could be equated with the importance of this kind of an examination. I think that law enforcement people should be expected to be subjected to this kind of an examination if their superiors feel that it is necessary. When you strap a gun on a man and place responsibility with him or a woman, then you're superior to that which is involved in other types of employment. I think that it is a reasonable request to ask an individual who is going to be out in the public protecting other lives that that individual not have anything in their background that could possibly impair their services as a law enforcement individual. We have been working hard in cooperation with law enforcement in the State of Nebraska to upgrade law enforcement. I believe that this, the passage of the Newell amendment as he has addressed it would be a most serious step backward in law enforcement and

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