

through Senator Smith's district and a number of other folks. It travels through Lincoln, Nebraska, as a matter of fact. So that weigh bill that I am showing you came through Hastings, Senator Smith. It came through Lincoln. It is not just my area of the state that is affected. Your areas are affected as well. That train goes through the whole state. Now I don't know how much more honest I can be than to tell you that I want to hold this bill up on Select File until a year from now. I do not want to put anything in the statutes that is more stringent, but since the federal government is not very, at least it don't seem to be, very able to enforce what they say they have got now, I think it is appropriate that we have something that is at least in the Nebraska statutes that is in conjunction with the federal government so that we have some ability to enforce it. I don't have any ability right now to go to anybody in the State of Nebraska and say, look, we have got materials being transported here that aren't meeting what the feds say is their regulations. We have got no ability in this state to use our state laws to enforce them because we don't have any state laws. That is the purpose of LB 457. Now I know you have heard that it applies to a lot of other things and I have heard people complain that it might even apply to farmers. But that is the bill itself and I will deal with the bill itself when we get to the bill. But as far as the committee amendments are concerned, I want common carrier language to be reinstated back in the bill and then, as I indicated to you, I will not try to pass it anymore this year. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Who is next? Senator Hall, do you wish to speak on the Vickers amendment? And then the speaking order is Senator Beyer, Barrett and Higgins.

SENATOR HALL: Yes, Mr. President and members, I sit on the Business and Labor Committee with Senator Vickers and I made the motion to strike "common carriers" at the committee Executive Session because, as he says, I feel that the fact that the interstate commerce would be rules and regulations at the federal level, would be greatly affected if we in Nebraska were to put laws into effect that would be more stringent and affect those states that use our systems, both highways and the railways, we would have the possibility there of trains that loaded up in Illinois that did not have the rules and the regulations that we as the State of Nebraska could possibly have if this amendment were put onto