

for us to stop the train, take a good look at all the train around us, and all the property, get it all counted up, figure out what it's worth, and once we get it assessed and get the thing going and get the train back on the right track again, we'll all be able to chug along together in a lot better style.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I rise to oppose the kill motion at this time. I think this has come on quickly. We've had a quick explanation this morning and this bill may have some possibilities, and I hate to just up and kill it quickly without looking into it a little further. I think that something along the line that Senator Haberman was suggesting may be in order to save the thing. On the other hand, I think perhaps maybe adjusting it a little bit away from North Platte and spreading it out over the rest of the state might be more palatable to some, Senator Rumery. So I'd hesitate to kill it at this time.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. Speaker, I support the kill motion. Earlier I tried to hold up the bill to study it farther and the body saw fit not to do this. I think this was taken to the body too quickly. We didn't have the printout till yesterday. That's the reason I thought we should have time to study it. The counties do not know how much they are losing. The schools do not know how much they are losing, and by killing this bill probably they will come up with a better solution than this one, and we can take it up next year. Senator Lamb requested that he use up part of my time. Is that acceptable to the Speaker? Senator Lamb wants to use part of my time.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I rise to support the kill motion, and Senator Cullian very eloquently explained the bill. He had three main points, but I think there's one point he missed, that in many of the areas of the State of Nebraska, it commits robbery. In the ten counties which I represent, all the counties which have railroads lose money. That's a very simple fact. Now I would support a bill which we could come back in here another time with a bill which would maybe tax the railroads more in order to give Alliance and North Platte the break maybe that they need. However, this bill works a disservice on many other areas. I cannot support that. I would support a bill which increased