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has happened several times and I think maybe it's time that we started paying a little more attention to the types of things that we're sending back to Washington... the things that supposedly we're saying is the sense of the State of Nebraska to guide our Congressional Delegations. Now I know there's kind of a casual attitude about those that basically when they get to Washington they'll be thrown in the wastebasket anyway and no one will pay attention. I think the reason that maybe that attitude exists is that some of our Congressional Delegation sat in this Legislature and saw how these things were adopted late in the afternoon when everybody was in a hurry to get out and they know how much thought and consideration this Legislature has given to these resolutions, because they've sat through this process. They participated in it, maybe even they had a resolution that they took up at 4:30 some afternoon with very little discussion and sent it on. If this is a major issue to our state, I see no reason that there shouldn't be a chance for a public hearing for discussion about the aspects, and then if that committee feels that this state has a strong interest, and that it's worth this Legislature to spend the time to debate this issue, it can send the thing back to the floor. I don't see why we can't allow public hearings on issues when we're trying to direct our Congressional Delegation to take action. So I would move that we refer this to the Business and Labor Committee.

SPEAKER MARVEL: You've heard the motion. All those in favor of the motion to refer LR 45 to Business and Labor vote aye. Opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Clerk, record the vote.

CLERK: 15 ayes, 15 nays on the adoption of the motion.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion lost. Is there another motion on the resolution?

CLERK: Well, Mr. President, we're back to the Maresh amendment.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. Speaker, I believe everybody understands the amendment that...

SPEAKER MARVEL: Read the amendment.

CLERK: Senator Maresh moves to add "limestone quarries" after the words "sand and gravel".

SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor of that motion vote aye. Opposed vote no. This is an amendment to the resolution.

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