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of the amendments, that is not what we are talking about with respect to these amendments, but the answer to your question is no and the purpose of the bill is to see that sidetrack and the location of sidetrack is given some value. So what you are saying may occur but sidetrack is built in numerous places, and what you are saying is true, sidetrack will be distributed but there are no amendments that I can see that could change that.

SENATOR DUIS: The problem that I have, Senator Cullan, right at the moment is there are certain places that are gaining and say we want LB 103 but they are not figuring on the long term situation where they find that they are not going to gain any sidetrack there. It is going to be a main line with the amount of sidetrack there at the present time where other places more sidetrack will be added, so what they are gaining today, in a few years from now may become a loss and I thought maybe you were going to correct that someday.

SENATOR CULLAN: Senator Duis, when you are talking about additional sidetrack, most of the additional sidetrack that is being constructed I think will be constructed in the next few years and I don't think there will be tremendous changes in the next few years as a result of that. There may be some but I don't think there will be as large as you believe.

SENATOR DUIS: Really and truly, I have been around for a few years and I have watched that hump yard grow and grow and grow and grow and I would hope that the railroads grow and grow because they'd get more taxes but it is where they grow that counts.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the body, I rise to support the amendments that are being offered. They basically are technical amendments. They make some changes. I want to personally say that I appreciate Senator Murphy's attention since Senator Murphy's attention has allowed us to fix a major problem in the bill which would have made it difficult, maybe not impossible but at least difficult to accurately understand exactly what the intent of the bill was. We did through the definitional difference here change personal property to property meaning all property, both personal and real, and for that reason a very technical amendment which Senator Murphy helped find. If I could answer just briefly Senator Duis' question. I think Senator