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SENATOR LEWIS: By members of organizations that stand up and say they introduce too many bills and they shouldn't meet but every five years, and they can't wait to get to that door to ask you to do something. I want them identified. Including the members of the press that has got five bills in here in terms of right to privacy and in terms of searching reporters. You have got some in here too and I want them identified. We ought to put the cards on the line. If the Omaha Chamber of Commerce wants us to meet only once every two years, they have got five or six bills in here that we can get rid of and go home a day early this year for them. Lets get down to card time. The commission is a legitimate approach and the salary for the members of this body ought to be legitimately determined. But I'll be damned if I will get on my knees and crawl and whimper and beg in terms of compensation. I'm here because I like it. I'm here because I like the job. I appreciate the people in my district sending me here. I want to get those issues straight and maybe we ought to have a little correct reporting on the issue, that the members are here because they like to serve. We fight and we battle over it but I don't know anybody in here that.....

SENATOR NICHOL: I'd like to advise you that you are out of time.

SENATOR LEWIS: That isn't sincerely interested in this job, and I'm going to finish this, in terms of what we are doing and why we are doing here and lets write the issue up as it is.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Reutzel.

SENATOR REUTZEL: Question.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Reutzel called the question. May I see five hands please? I do. The question is shall the debate cease. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, no nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR NICHOL: We are voting on the Newell amendment. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Would you like to close, Senator Newell?

SENATOR NEWELL: Just a short close.

SENATOR NICHOL: Excuse me, sir.