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LB 42

copy on page 8, line 17, strike January 1, 1980 and insert July 1, 1980.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Okay, I have explained it. I think that it is more than reasonable. As I say, if everyone is telling the truth again, this will work. If they are not, and if the railroads absolutely won't come up with some system then there is going to be some problems. Now just a few quick answers about this being passed on to the consumer. Every tax, every tax is passed on to the consumer. Remember something like 99% of this is paid by consumers in Arkansas, Tennessee and other states who, for the benefit of having the ability to flip a switch and have light, are making you sit at your tractor and burn diesel fuel waiting for a train to go by, or wait with your big truck or whatever. Okay. Sometime because we are the neck where all of this rail traffic has to go through, we are going to have immense traffic. Now I know that we have played little games and I kind of hassled Phil Kinney on it a little, you know the little inuendo to some of the senators well shoot, if you Nebraskans are naughty to us we will run our trains somewhere else. We won't go through your state. Well fellows, they have got X hundred million dollars in new facilities in Alliance that Sam is going to be able to have all of his people retire on and not pay any property taxes any more because they are going to be paying so many taxes there. They have got new rails built, they have got the whole program and they have about three or four hundred miles going through Nebraska. They are no more going to direct one train differently, you know, than the roof of the capitol is going to fly away tomorrow. I urge you to adopt the amendment. Advance the bill. Sam Cullan has got us one heck of a bill then. It is a bill that is going to get us some crossings built immediately because we did that with 42 and it is a bill that is going to enable us to get these overpasses engineered and built one way or another and agreed upon by about July 1, 1980.

PRESIDENT: Any discussion on the DeCamp motion to return LB 42? If not, all of those in favor of the motion to return vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 30 ayes, no nays on the motion to return Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. LB 42 is returned. Senator DeCamp. Senator DeCamp moves to adopt the motion to amend, the amendment. Any further discussion on the amendment? Motion then before the