

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Chambers, do you wish to speak to the Dworak amendment?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, as Senator DeCamp pointed out without using the word "conservative" he said rural interests, the Executive Board is viewed as a conservative controlled body. Now the role of the conservative is to maintain the system to avoid radical departures, to keep things on an even keel. Now if politics will rear its head in such blatant fashion as described by Senator DeCamp, and I think he was describing the situation accurately, the term "conservative" like every other term in the Legislature means whatever who is speaking desires to have it mean. I am sure that when people said they wanted a spot on the Executive Board, one of the issues they discussed would have been the referencing of bills. I know that is what I had promised when I had run for that position from the Douglas County delegation. I had stated that I would do all that I could to make certain that bills were referred as they should be based on the subject matter of the bill and the appropriateness of sending it to one committee above all others. Now if politics is to enter in, that should be frankly stated and we should drop the pretense of having deliberative considerations of these bills before they are sent to various committees. The reason we all ought to be concerned in the first few days of the session is that we may have a bill that we think should go to a certain committee, but the precedent can be established here that it doesn't matter whether the bill should appropriately go there or not, a majority of those on the Executive Board for whatever reason decided it should go someplace else, therefore, people on the floor who have friends on the Executive Board will vote to uphold the Executive Board out of friendship rather than out of what is right and proper. I have no interest in this veterinary bill, this veterinary college bill, but I will say this about the system, you ought to remember what Senator Marvel said the first day about his loving the system and that is why he can perhaps be the Speaker for a second term. For some people the system represents the only chance that you have. There is a certain predictableness that is built in. There is a certain free knowledge you can have of how things are going to occur and they should not be disrupted based on whim or crass politics. Case law creates a problem because a judge is able to give any decision he or she chooses so on practically every issue that comes before a court you have what they call conflicting currents of law, cases going in opposite directions. Then it becomes the job if the conflict is