

the Legislature should assess the same exact penalty for violating the law in Lancaster County on the interstate as they do in Sioux County on Highway 2. This bill accomplishes that. It does increase the speed limit some and it is a good compromise. I also think that it is probably a good thing for us to increase the speed limit a few miles an hour if for no other reason than to set up the confrontation with the federal government over speed limits. The speed limit is a function and an exercise of the police power of the states. It is not a function of the federal government to implement and enforce a police power, and if we need to set up a confrontation with the federal government on this issue with just a five mile per hour increase in the speed limit, then sobeit.

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have about one minute.

SENATOR CULLAN: I think we are ready to challenge the federal government if that is necessary. This is a reasonable increase in the speed limit. It achieves equity statewide. I urge you to reject Senator DeCamp's kill motion. Let's advance the bill as the compromise has been worked out.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Vickers. Senator Vickers, then Senator Higgins, then Senator Haberman, Senator Newell.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, I call the question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? Shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Okay.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 5 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator DeCamp. The motion is carried. Debate is ceased.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, my remarks are addressed particularly to Senator Beutler and they are going to be a little harsh. Senator Beutler gave us a speech about my preposterous statements. Then he proceeded to make the most outlandish, from a legal standpoint, statements that I think I have heard since he came here. Now let's talk about those a little. He said we are encouraging, DeCamp is encouraging frustration and disrespect for the law. Well, goldarn it, Chris Beutler, that law that Senator Chambers passed has gone to the Supreme Court, has been tested, has been enforced, has been upheld by the feds. That is the law. Now you may not like it, Chrissie, but that, by god, is the law and it is there now and it has been upheld by the court. So what does Chrissie say to do instead