SENATOR CLARK: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR NEFNER: Mr. Chairman, members of the body, I move the advancement of LB 200. I would like to explain the bill a little bit to you now. Currently a county with a population of more than 200,000 is not allowed to create a rural road improvement district and of course, LB 200 would delete that porvision. At the present time all counties under 200 have been able to create a rural road improvement district. Also if a resolution is presented \_to the county board that proposes a rural road improvement district does not meet with their approval, the board may deny passage of the proposed district. Also this bill proposes to codify the interest rate on delinquent assessments pr rural road improvement districts and this would amend that and put it in Section 45-101.03 and if you will recall this is in bill LB 167 which is now on Select File. So what it would do is make all these delinquent taxes, the interest on thse delinquent taxes equal. I urge you to support me in advancing LB 200.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Rumery.

SENATOR RUMERY: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I would like to ask Senator Hefner a question if he would yield.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Yes, I would be happy to yield.

SENATOR RUMERY: Senator, who asked you to introduce this bill?

SENATOR HEFNER: The county engineers.

SENATOR RUMERY: And does this have the approval of the County Officials Association?

SENATOR HEFNER: It certainly does. It has the approval of the county engineers throughout the state and also the County Officials Association. They were there to testify at the hearing and there was no opposition.

SENATOR RUMERY: Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: The question before the House is the advancement of LB 200. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting aye.