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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes. Senator Goodrich, don't cry now. Just hold your horses and keep your powder dry. You have got everything that you want. Now the Legislature has jumped through the hoop, is running as fast as it possibly can to do what this man wants it to do. Now why must you take the last shred of dignity from the Legislature? Why does it have to be expedited? How is it going to be expedited? Somebody from the Clerk's office is going to be given the bill and told now run as fast as you can down to the bill drafter's office, stand over the bill drafter and say, now hurry up and print those amendments. Hurry up and produce a bill, then they are going to run it back here as fast as they can and then it has got to sit on Final Reading a day anyway. Members of the Legislature, can you if possible, separate everything that has gone before from what I am about to say now? Sometimes very small things go a much greater distance toward characterizing an entire process than really the substance of it. So there has been some humor involved in the substantial handling of the bill but now we come down to the point where this ridiculous effort is being made to expedite a bill that has not that much significance to it. It is not necessary to do that, Senator Goodrich, and I hope that the members will not agree to expedite this bill but let it just take its own leisurely course, Senator Goodrich, and it won't be too long before it gets where it is going.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the body, I am going to rise to support Senator Chambers and Senator Goodrich. I think that is possible. First of all, I think Senator Chambers has made a great point. Sometimes it is very important to recognize what it is you are doing and why you are doing it and to try to assess some importance to it. You know Senator Chambers considers this whole thing one of process and one of dignity. You know I think Senator Chambers forgets that we are talking about a hundred and sixty-seven jobs or a hundred seventy, whichever figure you want to use, Senator Chambers, that we are talking about showing an industry that we want them to stay in the State of Nebraska, the last remaining brewery in the state. Now we can expedite bills and we have done this on numerous occasions. We expedited 518. Don't you remember that, Senator Schmit? I said, now wait a minute, let's not expedite that bill but for some reason there was a desire to bring new industry in this state and that bill, 518, and its predecessor, 1241, was going to bring that new industry in. It never came but we expedited a bill anyway. This is a case where we can keep some industry in the state. That commitment is given. I think it is important to show