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one of the lowest rate of productions of oil wells in the United States. We are one hundred percent artificial lift oil wells. Now they are much more expensive than free flowing oil wells but we are a hundred percent. We are going to have to close down a lot of stripper wells. Those are wells that are ten barrels per day and less. We are going to have to close them down with this added tax. The people are going to lose money as well as the industry and the state is going to lose money because they are going to quit drilling wells. They cannot afford to drill wells and pay this extra tax because our oil is not the same kind of wells as in Oklahoma, Wyoming and the rest of the states. They want to talk about spending money and saving money. You all received this yellow report, The Irrigation Efficiency Related to Agricultural Issues. Energy Recommendation Report #1. It cost \$3,000 for this little report, these little pages. If you want to talk about saving money, let's save it on junk like this. Well, I would just have to say that I don't think we have to point at one industry like this. It is awful easy to do it because it sits out there in three or four counties or five counties. It doesn't really affect Omaha. It doesn't affect Lincoln. So it is awful easy to point your finger and say, "Ah! We will go after those boys." And they are not causing the problem, the OPEC nations are causing the problem. Go after them. Raise the cigarette tax. Raise a lot of other taxes but let's don't pick on an industry that is growing in Nebraska or do you want to stop their growth. That is all I say. Sure, we are all in favor of saving energy. We are all in favor of that but let's don't do it this way. There is other ways to do it. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Remmers.

SENATOR REMMERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I rise to oppose those amendments. I first want to say that I hope that I never question anyone's motives or methods or integrity and I am not questioning anybody's motives, methods or integrity and I wasn't when I spoke earlier as far as the change in the bill is concerned. I recognize that that is everybody's privilege and I am certainly not criticizing anybody's motives. I also want to say that I do respect a member of the lobbyist group that speaks for the oil industry. I respect him and I will listen to his points that he gives me on his industry the same as I will to the lobbyist of any other group. I think they represent legitimate groups whether they are speaking for education, whether they are speaking for the Highway Department, the University, or any other companies, but I don't owe them anything. I don't owe the oil companies anything. It is true that there are a few stripper wells in