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I am proposing to you is brought to you in good faith. Sure, there were not all that many people there clamoring for it but you always say to me, I have heard you say many times, all we get to our hearings are the bureaucrats. That is what we had there. We had a couple election commissioners and we had the executive secretaries of the two parties. We had another person who has been there to support my position, a political science professor from the University of Nebraska in Lincoln plus others who have written me letters privately. I think they also sent you some. It is time, I think, that we move to the September primary and get in tune and in step with most of the states because that is where they are going to.

SENATOR CLARK: I'm sorry, Senator Koch, your time is up.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would ask for a special privilege to continue since the precedence is not without some recent consideration.

SENATOR CLARK: I cannot give any special priveleges at this point.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, I will return the favor some day.

SENATOR CLARK: We have a motion on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first motion I have on the bill is to indefinitely postpone. That is offered by Senator Haberman.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I am going to ask that we accept the amendments before the Clerk and before the Legislature by Senator Newell and myself. These amendments in effect, kill the bill, and in killing the bill these amendments gut it and make it into a bill that is needed which is essentially 359 that Senator Newell will explain. Now the reason that I am asking that we do this is first of all, let's talk about the original bill and why we or I and I hope the majority of this body are opposed to it.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Haberman, have you withdrawn your kill motion and you are talking about amendments?

CLERK: The first thing I had was your kill motion to the bill.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Okay, I will withdraw my kill motion.