

only first of six reapportionment bills that we have. The committee had worked long and hard on this bill and I thought we had it in pretty good shape but it looks like some of the members on the floor do not feel this way, but I would be willing to get together with anybody that would want to talk about it. I think the committee would be willing to meet with anybody and see if we can't work out some kind of compromise and so, therefore, I would urge you to reject the committee amendment now as amended and then we will take care of it on Select File.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cullan, do you wish to speak to the committee amendments?

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I think that we ought to adopt the committee amendments and then advance the bill or it really doesn't make too much difference whether we adopt them or whether we don't. But I think it is preposterous of us to send this bill back to committee. There are eight days left in the Legislature and the committee, anyone who wanted to come in and comment on redistricting has had significant opportunity to come in and comment on redistricting, and if everytime we decide to make a change in this bill and on other reapportionment bills that are going to be coming through the Legislature we have to send it back to committee, then we are going to be in session a mighty long time. So I think maybe we ought to just send this bill along its merry way and Senator Hefner and others can visit with legislators between now and Select File and maybe we can iron this out but let's not send these bills back to committee again.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Well, Mr. Speaker, members, I think you have been warned about the time so I won't repeat that. Personally I think we have made a big mistake this afternoon in not accepting the committee's report and the committee's action on this. I know you are not going to please everybody, and if you think we have got trouble now, wait until we start taking and talking about our own districts, and if we argue over 49 like we argue over 3, we aren't going to settle anything. If there is one thing I have learned this year about redistricting, and I thank the Lord everyday that I didn't get the bill to redistrict in the Government Committee that I wanted so bad, it is a difficult, difficult job, and everybody wants to rope off their little territory that they would like to have and it doesn't fit the map, and we have the same thing with our Congressional Districts that we have with our