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and on the premises, on the warehouse, they can have what is called...what can be called a trade fair. In other words, retailers from throughout the City of Omaha or throughout the state could come to his premises and sample wines. Now the rules and regulations would be promulgated by the department so there would be no abuse. But basically what it does is it saves him from hauling all these wines out to the various retailers. The retailers could come to his premises, taste the wine and then decide which he is going to buy and make an order for that. So that basically is all this bill does. It does facilitate, it lessens the need to haul the wines around and have the person who is selling, the salesman, haul a bunch of wines out and sample them on the retailer's premises. It allows for sampling wines on the wholesaler's premises. Now, Bill, I hope that I answered your question. If I haven't, please make it more direct for me.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: I would just have a couple of....Dave, I am not giving you a bad time. This would apply to liquor also?

SENATOR NEWELL: It would apply to liquor and the reason it was originally designed...when we went to the Commission, the Commission...the original request was to go to the Commission and say, would the Commission allow for this kind of activity, since right now the law says they have the right to regulate under Rule 35 the sampling of these products. The Commission said, well, we think that this is beyond our scope so we want this to be a policy decision, I think you ought to go to the Legislature instead. The Commission basically suggested that we go to the Legislature and make this a formal legislative change. And basically what is intended here...I almost forgot the question, what was the question?

SENATOR NICHOL: Well, you have answered enough but I have another one. Would it apply to booze also, or how....?

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes, liquor, yes. I remember now the question.

SENATOR NICHOL: Thank you. Now the other question was....

SENATOR NEWELL: The Commission suggested that it should apply to both...to spirits, because you have a definition of spirits so they said to apply to all spirits instead of trying to define so many proof....

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