

ascertain how much safety was involved and it seemed to depend to a certain extent on the type of operation involved and on the type of train involved and on a number of factors, so many factors in effect that it seemed inappropriate or impossible to make some kind of general statutory rule on the question. For that reason I think it makes sense to give the Public Service Commission some power to let them look at the exemptions on a case by case basis and to let them make a determination as to whether a caboose is necessary to protect employee or public safety. But the standard they are given I am telling you is too strict. It is almost bound to have some kind of even, if not a substantial, at least a minute adverse effect on safety but I think the question really is, does it have a substantial adverse effect and I would ask you then to amend the bill to adopt the substantial adverse effect standard. Thank you.

SENATOR NICHOL: The question is shall the Beutler amendment be adopted. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? We are voting on the Beutler amendment.

CLERK: Senator Nichol voting yes.

SENATOR NICHOL: Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Beutler's amendment, Mr. President.

SENATOR NICHOL: The Beutler amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, do you have anything else?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Vickers would now move to amend the bill. (Read Vickers amendment as found on page 819, Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Vickers, may I interrupt you just before you begin so that I can introduce a few guests who will probably be leaving. We have 54 eighth grade students from Beveridge Junior High School in Omaha, Instructor, Janic Greenberg, and they are visitors of Senator Stoney and they are in the North balcony. Would you please welcome them. Senators Nichol, Clark, Cullan and several others have some visitors from Chadron State College under the North balcony and under the South balcony. They have been visiting us yesterday and today and would you welcome them please. And I am supposed to advise you that Sally Olson, a Page, is twenty years old today. Sally, are you here? Will you stand up. Congratulations, Sally. Thank you, Senator Vickers.