

Works Committee. So I don't have any objection to Senator Lamb's proposal if Senator DeCamp is willing to go along with that and I hope that the body would at least stick in part to our committee structure. This whole thing has to fit together, the investigation has to fit together with the legislation going through next year, the results from the investigation, and it is very important, of course, that the people who are on the Public Works Committee be informed and have some expertise on what has developed rather than handling the whole subject matter new next year. So I think that the members of the Public Works Committee should be involved and that it shouldn't be just seven people selected from who knows where in the Legislature. With that in mind, Mr. Speaker, when the appropriate time comes, I will withdraw my amendments which basically would have added a couple more members of the Public Works Committee to the structure in favor of Senator Lamb's amendment which would, as I understand it, hand the investigation back over to the already established committee, the Public Works Committee. But I very strongly oppose Senator Warner's amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. President, I have a question in order to clarify how I want to vote on the amendment. This resolution to have a committee formed to investigate bid rigging only in road construction or is it going to involve plumbing contractors, electrical contractors, carpentry work, the whole shebang, I mean? Is there anybody that can answer me that question?

SENATOR CLARK: To whom are you directing your question?

SENATOR HIGGINS: Well, I guess it would be Senator DeCamp since it is his resolution.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Senator Higgins, I watched a movie last night called "Fiddler On The Roof" and the essence of the movie was that once you break tradition and pull the first string out, you don't know where it is going to lead. We start out looking and ideally focusing our attention on the highlighted problem which is road construction, bid rigging there. Obviously if this committee or whoever was studying this came upon additional information, they are going to disclose that to the Attorney General, to the legislature, whatever. I think the answer to your question is, the reason we are looking is we don't know what is at the other end of the tunnel but we know from the evidence we have right now it is time to start finding out.