

I won't be a member of the committee. But whether I am on it or not, I would hope that it is put together in such a way that nobody can say that there are certain political interests at work in this serious area and the attempt is to try to squelch a meaningful investigation rather than to ferret out all of the facts, all of the truth, and determine who may or who may not be involved. One final thing and then I am through, Mr. Coolidge who is the Director of the Department of Roads and the State Engineer...

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...seemed to express public shock that bid rigging was going on in the State of Nebraska. Now I was so shocked that he was shocked at that that I almost went into cardiac arrest, and when I read it, I had to clutch my hands on my chest and say, "Be still my beating heart". Then some people told me that because of Mr. Coolidge's position he couldn't say that he knew what everybody else knew, but be that as it may, it is time that we restore some confidence that the public should have in the legislative process, and for that reason, I am repeating for the last time I am opposed to one committee doing it. It would be better if we could have a broad representation from throughout the state on that particular committee.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, perhaps this should be referred to the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Committee. This doesn't have anything to do really with building of roads. It has to do with fraud. Just think about that for a minute. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Hoagland, did you want to talk on the amendment? Senator DeCamp, did you want to talk on the amendment?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I am supporting Senator Lamb's amendment. Senator Lamb came to me and expressed two concerns, one was that there should be some control by the Executive Board and some monitoring and some supervision of something so sensitive as this so as to make sure, as I understand it, it didn't get out of hand or whatever. His amendment retains that control by having control over the purse, the finances involved, and that is an effective control and that should answer the concerns of Senator Warner. The other concern he had which I have heard from a number of Senators including my good friend Senator Chambers was to the effect that the membership I had selected in my resolution might not include all of the