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tell people that? Simple as that. I also want to mention that I have another, you know, I'm in support of the kill motion. I would wish we'd do that. If the kill motion fails, I have one more amendment that I'm going to run and then let the body do its will on this measure.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Coordsen, then Senator McFarland.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I suppose it comes as no surprise that I do oppose the kill motion. I think that we have come to the time in the development of the State of Nebraska, and this has been said so many, many times on this bill over the probably several hours that it's been talked about, but it's come to the time when we should put Nebraska in a position that is at least equal to many of the surrounding states. Would the state disappear if 177 failed to advance? No, but we would have the continuing confusion that exists, that has existed in the past. We spend a lot more money than this on many, many issues. I think that this particular bill is a simple bill, a well thought out bill. It's a bill that perhaps could have been handled in some other fashion, but it was not, it has not been. And if these things are not going to be taken care of, then it is up to the resp...it's the responsibility of the Legislature that we direct that this be created. So I would certainly urge the defeat of the indefinite postpone motion. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator McFarland, please, then Senator Weihing.

SENATOR McFARLAND: Just a couple comments in response. One, there were situations where problems were not caught. There were situations where people were embarrassed. As I recall, there was one situation where one of our state representatives was given a gift by a foreign dignitary, opened the package in front of the foreign dignitary not knowing that that was a grievous violation of good manners, was an embarrassment, it left a bad aura about the whole meeting, it was at the end of the visit of that foreign dignitary. Those kind of things just should not happen. The fact about the green hats, for example, if Secretary of State Beermann hadn't happened to have attended that dinner that evening, those hats would have been given to the Chinese delegation. He just happened to catch it. There are lots and lots of errors in judgment, errors in manners that