

determination made unilaterally by a franchisor that there is some cause for a particular determination or decision to terminate a franchise. I, having read this statute initially, it makes very good light...and I do invite you to look through this and go through the provisions because it is a balanced piece of legislation. It sets out specifically what the rights and obligations of the parties is in order to make sure that in Nebraska we don't have the problem that has occurred in the airline industry and in the rail industry where we have markets that no longer have...the bus, the bus industry...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR ASHFORD: ...where we have industries that do not have service maintained and there is no more and there are cases in Nebraska on the liquor industry and the regulation of the industry, the police power of the state to regulate this industry. It is important that the state be involved in this process so that markets can be maintained, so that wholesalers have a right to have their rights protected and, more importantly, so the consumer has a steady and good product delivered in a reasonable way throughout the State of Nebraska. This bill does that and I invite you to read it. It's a good piece of legislation and one...another...a very good reason for passing it, if you look in the arbitration provisions, it's a way of solving problems in an inexpensive way. I'm sorry Senator Hall didn't bring any of these problems to my attention before this time. This is a total, complete surprise to me, which is fine, I guess...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time has expired.

SENATOR ASHFORD: ...but with that, I would urge again that this kill motion be defeated. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. To discussion on the motion to indefinitely postpone, Senator Haberman, followed by Senator Hall.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the body, the way we're starting out on this bill I think Senator Hall is turning into a Grinch. I mean, this is not nice at all, what he is trying to do. Well, let's do it this way. Senator Hall has...alludes to that this bill is a horror chamber of bad things, that this bill is class legislation and it puts things