

LB 406, that contained a whole number of other bills that were not germane, that were fed into that bill. One of those bills was LB 428, which was Senator Dierks' bill, which had five other elements, four of which at least could be argued were totally nongermane. Nobody stood up and said let's not listen. Everybody listened to the merits of the bill, the milk inspection part, the juvenile justice part, the DBI part of Senator Dierks' bills didn't sound very related to me at the time, but it didn't seem in the interest of the people of the State of Nebraska to stifle debate on all these items. Secondly, it's been insinuated that I have not been willing to compromise. The fact is enormous compromises went on within our committee, most of whom are from rural areas. Beyond that I called people to a meeting and asked everybody who had stood up on the floor and spoke to the bill to come to that meeting. Senator Hudkins couldn't make it. Senator Schrock, were you there? Senator Schrock was there. Senator Schrock was the only person that was there, if I recall. So then I went around to...to try to get the senators and see what their objections were. A couple of them had sent staff to that meeting, their staff had made no suggestions for amendments. Subsequent to that point in time I worked hard with Senator Wickersham and accepted two very substantial amendments from him, I've accepted one very substantial amendment from Senator Wahrbein, they've been put together in one amendment so we could deal with them altogether and save as much time as possible on this floor, but that's not going to happen now because the question has been divided into six parts and we're going to have a germaneness argument on each and every one of those six parts. Whichever way this ruling goes, I'm going to argue it on every one. And in all fairness I'm going to go back through all those bills that have nongermane amendments attached to them, I'm going to see if I can get them detached because we're going to play the game one way or the other. It's not being mean, it's just insisting on fairness. I'm not going to be treated differently than others. I'm very willing to be treated the same as others, but not differently. Those are...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...all the points I wanted to make at this point in time. Thank you for listening.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Lynch. Do I see five hands? I do. Question before the body is, shall debate now cease? All in