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everybody can have a bell in his or her hand and what goes around comes around, so mark well what is done before an attempt is made because somebody outside the Chamber has given directions. I don't care...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...about people in the lobby. But I'm in here and those in the lobby can turn tail and run when the fire gets too hot, but the same is not true to the same extent on this floor. These gentlemen may very well be qualified for these positions but, as I stated during a previous protest of this kind, when reappointments are made and the ones being reappointed are males it is a demonstration of the institutional discrimination that is built into the system. Males are initially appointed. Then, when reappointment time comes or new appointment time comes, they are simply reappointed and the argument is given, well, this is not discrimination, they were there first anyway.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time. Thank you, Senator Chambers. Discussion on the confirmation report of the Transportation Committee, Senator Engel.

SENATOR ENGEL: Mr. President, members of the body, I just highly recommend John Kingsbury, who is one of the appointments. He has been serving on the commission these last few years, I believe as Chairman this last year or two, and he's done a great job for northeast Nebraska and the state of Nebraska and I would certainly recommend his reappointment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Engel. Continued discussion, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. To finish my point, when my ancestors tried to vote there were all kind of laws put in place to stop us from doing that. When an attempt was made to change the laws so that we could vote, poll taxes were imposed, head taxes were imposed, literacy tests were given such as, how many bubbles in a bar of soap, how many half window panes in the courthouse on the north side. And all of that was accepted by the white people who were in charge and they grew