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SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you,...

SENATOR VRTISKA: ...on the bracket motion.

SENATOR RAIKES: ...Mr. President, members. Senator Smith made several points that I was going to address, so I won't repeat them. I will say that, Senator Chambers, if you decide to leave that bracket motion up there, I will vote for it. And some of you who are interested in moving the agenda along, I suggest you join me. Thank you.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Senator Raikes. Next speaker is Senator Tyson.

SENATOR TYSON: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska, Mr. President. Ladies and gentlemen of the body, I've got a couple of points to make. And I think the first one is best illustrated by pointing out to you that there's a number of allusions in American speech referring to a dead horse; beating a dead horse, riding a dead horse. The one I like and the one that fits this is buying oats for a dead horse. The people of Nebraska have already voted on this. Attendance has been declining and declining and declining. And now we are hearing from a wide variety of people, most eloquently from Senator Landis, but from others, and their message is, if only. If only we get enlightened management, if only we do this, if only we do that, if only we fix this building, which would be a famous first, they will come. I think that we should follow the example of a recognized expert. And I'm not speaking of just anybody with a briefcase that comes from 50 miles away. We have an expert right here in Lincoln--Lancaster County, Lancaster County commissioners. They are hard-headed, businesslike people. They can make rational business decisions, and they did. They moved the Lancaster County Fair out of the State Fair grounds. and I can understand why they did that. That was a good move. Since those buildings were placed and built, Lincoln has changed. We have a wide piece of ground out there, large piece of ground. I don't know the potential uses for it. Part of it is on a flood plain, and it's going to flood after the drought is over, which is about 25 years from now. But people have not been coming to the fair, for any number of reasons, other pursuits. But the fact of the