

1 DELEGATE FORNOS: Mr. Chairman, fellow delegates,
2 I seldom find myself aligned with the distinguished former
3 President of the Senate, but when he is right, being one of
4 those in this body who votes with an open mind, I have to
5 side with him.

6 I would like to recall a bill which was sent
7 down from the Governor's office shortly after he took
8 office in the last session which eliminated competitive
9 bidding on all contracts to be awarded by the State Roads
10 Commission below the sum of \$10,000. The effect of this
11 bill was to give the State Roads Commission, the right to
12 award contracts throughout this State, up to \$10,000, to
13 anyone he wanted to. After 12 hours of debating this bill
14 in this House it finally passed by one vote. A man turned
15 around to me and said, I made a mistake on that vote. I
16 was with you and I just didn't realize the mistake I made,
17 as our president made yesterday and some other people have
18 moved here, so he got up and moved for reconsideration. It
19 was 11:20 at night. The Senate was out of session already
20 at 10 o'clock. The Speaker without blinking said, I am
21 sorry, that bill has already gone to the other body.