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CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on motion to adopt the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: Committee amendments are adopted. Chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, first of all I want to call to your attention I wish that Senator Syas was here to hear this. Senator Steve Fowler has been doing a good job of writing up these bills for you so that they are clearly understood. I also want to call to your attention that, Senator Frank Lewis, this is a good bill. It is a permissive bill, permissive legislation whereby we could change the provisions of the Plumbing Board for primary and metropolitan cities and cities of the second class, and villages. It would also change the requirement that all members of the Plumbing Board would not have to live within the city or village limits. In smaller towns it is sometimes difficult to get that many people to serve on the board. There is a feeling that the member might well live within the zoning jurisdiction of a city or village, rather than within the city limits proper and have a great deal of input as a board member. The zoning area often represents the growth area around a city and it is often well to have a representative from that area. Senator Savage amended it somewhat for Omaha. If he would like to speak to that, or if you have any questions about that, you could address him. I move for the advancement to E & R initial of LB 153.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, question of Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Yes sir.

SENATOR KELLY: Senator Nichol, it's very important to me that I'm assured that this is good for plumbers. Can you give me that assurance?

SENATOR NICHOL: As far as I know it is.

SENATOR KELLY: Just as far as you know?

SENATOR NICHOL: OK, yes it's good for plumbers.

SENATOR KELLY: Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: I have a question of Senator Nichol. Senator Nichol, could you answer a question for me? I'm almost scared to say this.

SENATOR NICHOL: Then please don't.

SENATOR BARNETT: We're talking about plumbers. Let me ask you this, in one part of that it says that it includes the primary class city. I read the amendment and the amendment says metropolitan, first and second. Aren't . . . why did you take out the primary class? That's the way I'm going to ask it.