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days in addition to the normal registration that we have so far. I just have to reiterate, maybe, what Senator Keyes said. The complexities in small counties make it technically more or less impossible to register people on election day and there is nothing, contrary to Senator Chambers views, there is nothing that the county clerk of Douglas County could possibly do to educate and train the county clerks out in the rural districts because their problem is quite different and we simply cannot do it.

SPEAKER: Senator Burrows, do you care to close?

SENATOR BURROWS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I think the issue is quite simple on this one. The county clerks, I certainly don't doubt, would not desire any additional work load. However, I think they are there for a purpose and that is to serve the people and I think the issue is whether we want to go all the way to provide registration for voters that is easily available for them so we can increase the number of people that participate in our election system. The efficient county clerks, if they make every effort to, can handle this one. It may make a few hustle and, if they can't do the job, someone else should be the county clerk. They took the job to fill the desires of this Legislature and the desires of the people. I think it is simple. If they try to make it complicated, they'd better work procedures that are simple enough that they can make this work and they can do this, if they make the effort to do it. If they have...if this bill is passed and if this amendment is added, it will give them the impetus to make the changes and simplify their procedures so that we can have more people registered to participate in our election process. I thank you.

SPEAKER: The question is, shall the Burrows amendment be adopted? Have you all voted? Have you all voted. The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 9 ayes, 19 nays, 21 not voting.

SPEAKER: The amendment fails. Senator Keyes, up in the North balcony, 75 Fourth grade students from the G-Stanley Hall School, LaVista-Papillion. Mrs. Chapes, Mrs. Spilker, Miss Davies are the teachers. They are in the North balcony. Would you please recognize them. The Chair recognizes Senator Dworak.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President, I move that LB 494 be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

SPEAKER: Motion has been made and seconded that the amendments to 494 be adopted...oh, to advance 494 to E & R for engrossment. All in favor indicate by the usual sign. Opposed. Carried.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the Enrollment and Review amendments to LB 500.

SPEAKER: Motion made and seconded that the amendments be adopted to 500. All in favor indicate by the usual sign. Opposed. Same sign. Carried.