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PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of the amendment. Senator Warner. No one. Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. President, as I read the amendment, as printed on page 1126, it is saying in effect you may not negotiate on any item, you must put it out for bid first, then if you do not receive a satisfactory answer you can negotiate, which takes not only time but dollars. Is this the intent of the amendment?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Senator Marsh, the intent of the amendment is if all bids received are unacceptable the county board shall have the power to purchase materials on a negotiated basis.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Question of Senator Rasmussen.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Sure.

SENATOR BARNETT: In that same language, I assume you give the responsibility for the word "unacceptable" to the county boards?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Right.

SENATOR BARNETT: So that in other words, any bidding process they have could be unacceptable, and from now on out they could negotiate every contract?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: If . . . it's possible, but that . . .

SENATOR BARNETT: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Question is the adoption of . . . Senator Dworak.

SENATOR DWORAK: Question of Senator Rasmussen. Just what is the criteria for rejection? Just the county boards own opinion?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: It would be up to the county board. They are elected officials. I see no reason why they shouldn't have this power.

SENATOR DWORAK: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of Senator Rasmussen's amendment to 114. Record your vote. Have you voted? Have you voted? Record Mr. Clerk. Senator Rasmussen.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Mr. President, I would ask for a Call of the House.

PRESIDENT: Question is shall the House go under Call. Record your vote. Record Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 22 ayes, 0 nays.

PRESIDENT: The House is under Call. Please take your chairs. Record your presence. Senator Bereuter voting aye on the original proposition.