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a large group of residents Northwest of Omaha that are not within the city of Omaha, yet they are in the Omaha school district. What it boils down to is this is not the greatest organization in the world. What you're saying, if you pass this bill over the Governor's veto, is that portions of Omaha will run by district ... run their school board by district. Large portions of Omaha will not run by school districts the way this bill is written. For that reason I would strongly urge you not to override the Governor's veto. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Simpson.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I'd just like to have the pleasure of speaking after Senator Goodrich. I enjoyed his little map here. I'm sure that in another year we could take care of the rest of the problem here. We can easily work these other districts and get them going so that their school boards are by district also. Millard can't help it, you know. Omaha took them over, they didn't ask them to come into their school district, but they did any how. So that's a separate problem. I think what we're getting to here, and there's only one thing, philosophy, whether you believe in equal representation by district or equal representation at large. I just happen to believe in representation by districts where you have an opportunity to know someone that may be representing them, someone you can talk to and maybe make them understand the problems in your area. I've seen too many times what happens when all the people are from other specific areas. They don't understand the problems of your area and are not really that interested in finding out. My feeling would be that, if we override this and I would certainly hope we could, next year will be Lincoln's turn.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers, do you want to close debate.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, Mr. President. There are number of members who are not in their chairs. They said that they would vote for this bill. Prior to the taking of the vote I'm going to ask for a Call of the House, then a roll call vote. That should expedite matters I hope.

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

CLERK: 24 ayes, 5 nays to go under Call.

PRESIDENT: The House is under Call. Clear the board. Record your presence please. All Senators take your chairs and remain there please. Would the Sergeant-at-Arms secure the attendance of all members of the Legislature. Please take your chairs Senators. Record your presence. Senator Duis, Senator Maresh, Senator Cavanaugh, Senator Hasebroock. Could we find Senator Hasebroock please. Senator George. Could we find Senator DeCamp please. Senator Wiltse. Senator Luedtke, would you take your chair and record your presence. Senator DeCamp, could you come to your chair please. Senator DeCamp, we can't start the roll call till you're in your chair. Senator Burbach, would you take your chair please. Call the roll.