

March 24, 1983

LB 155, 125

PRESIDENT: The question is the readvancement of the bill from Select File to E&R for Final Reading ... or engrossment. A machine vote has been requested. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk will record the vote. Record vote has been requested. We'll have silence in the Chamber while the record vote is being taken.

CLERK: (Read record vote found on page 1117 of the Journal.)
34 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

PRESIDENT: Okay, the motion carried, the bill is advanced. Now then we have LB 125. What position is that in, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler would move to return LB 125 to Select File for a specific amendment. (Read motion found on page 1118 of the Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. This is a friendly amendment to a fine little bill. Senator Von Minden, the League of Municipalities and myself have agreed that there is some unnecessary language in the bill. The bill was originally designed ... it had to do with the sections of the statutes that allow for improvement districts of different sorts by petition, by the petition process. The problem that arose is that people were creating lots and forcing the city to develop those lots when perhaps the cities didn't have the resources to actually do that. So they came in with this bill that would allow them to deny the formation of these districts, in certain instances. But the bill also had some language in it that said notwithstanding any other provision of this section they would have the power to approve the formation of these kinds of districts. Which meant, in effect, that they could circumvent the petition process of creating these districts. The only intent of the amendment, and the only effect of the amendment is to eliminate the language that would allow them to approve the formation of districts notwithstanding the lack of petitions and thereby narrow the scope of the bill to exactly what Senator Von Minden and the League of Municipalities wish to do. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Very well. Is there further discussion on the motion to return the bill to Select File for specific amendment? If not the question is shall the bill be returned to Select File for a specific amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk will record.