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may I please introduce some guests of Senator Remmers in the North balcony. They are 26 fourth graders from Pawnee City Elementary School in Pawnee City, Nebraska. Mrs. Harding is their teacher. Will you please stand and be recognized. Thank you. Several of you have not recorded your presence. Will you please do so. Senator Haberman, will you please return to your seat. Senator Von Minden. Senator Fenger. Senator Labeledz. We are looking for Senator Landis and Senator Labeledz. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, I will ask for a roll call vote and we can start now.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, Mr. Clerk, a roll call vote has been asked for. You are voting on the Chambers amendment to the amendment.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See pages 1702 and 1703, Legislative Journal.) 19 ayes, 23 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Chambers' amendment to the committee amendments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The amendment to the amendment fails.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler would move to amend the committee amendments. (Read Beutler amendment found on page 1703, Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this amendment actually represents a compromise between the Chambers amendment and what is actually in the bill right now. What is in the bill right now says that an area can be blighted or substandard. You could apply one of two standards. What Senator Chambers was saying is that you apply it to apply both standards. What I am saying with this amendment only apply one standard but let's apply the higher standard, that is, the blighted standard. The blighted standard is a higher standard than the substandard section and for that reason and for the reason that you are not asking for the applicability of both standards, it represents a compromise and this is the compromise that on the previous debate Senator Newell said he was willing to accept. So I would ask the adoption of the amendment and I would remind you once more that the definitions of blighted and substandard are very, very broad definitions. If you leave the bill the way it is allowing the application of either the blighted or the substandard criteria, then effectively you are allowing financings anywhere and that is the practical effect of it. And if that is what you