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LB 803

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Lamb would then offer the same motion and Senator Goodrich and/or Withem would have the option to lay the bill over if they were so inclined.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The decision is to take it up? Okay, Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President and members, I really don't believe this is a workable bill. This puts the driver's license group in with the voter registration. I just don't think it would work. I have had complaints from county people out there and I'm serious about killing the bill. I don't think it should become law.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I would urge you not to support the kill motion. I will probably not match Senator Lamb's succinctness in speech, however, I will try not to go on too long. I think this is a good bill. First of all Senator Lamb said the bill is not workable. Twenty-five states use some sort of merged list concept for jury selection. If 25 states can find a way to accomplish this I think Nebraska can also. I used to think that there were only two things that were sure in the world, death and taxes. Since being here a year I found out that there is a third thing that is every bit as sure as the other two and that is if you attempt to change any of the procedures that currently go on in county courthouses in this state that the county officials will complain to no end. I think Senator Schmit found that out when he attempted to have the way in which the interest was figured on the child support. Any number of other Senators have found out that if they do attempt to change any of the procedures within county officials offices in their counties that there really won't be an attitude of well, lets take a look at it, it will be automatic opposition to it. That is what is happening here. We have a good bill in LB 803. It is a bill that after the session began and I took a look at it I joined with Senator Goodrich in supporting. I had had a similar piece of legislation that I felt was not as well worded as Senator Goodrich's bill so I support it. The bill