

SENATOR JONES: I was on page 13, on same place he was talking about there. And I...that...when...same thing he was talking about there, but I just...

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: I...yeah, it...Senator, I'm not sure where you're reading. But it is supposed to be in each county, yes.

SENATOR JONES: If one fails, it's all off, either one of them.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: That's correct.

SENATOR JONES: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Jones. Senator Fisher announces that the following guest is visiting the Legislature, Kevin Brostrom is here from Grand Island, he is sitting under the north balcony. Mr. Brostrom, will you please stand and be recognized, please. Welcome to the Legislature. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, to touch on Senator Jones's question, if you start on page 11 then go to page 12 where all this language is stricken, and come down to line 26, you'll see the words "of each county voting on the question submitted", which does indicate that a majority has to be in each of the counties. I would like to ask Senator Wickersham a question. Senator Wickersham, when you look at all of the language in this bill, and we consider the fact that under existing law there can be the doing away with some counties, I imagine, what likelihood is there that this is going to be put into effect and some counties are going to consolidate?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Well, Senator, I'm not an odds maker, I don't know.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What is the incentive, maybe that's the way I ought to ask it. What is the incentive for counties to consolidate and give away their county board and the other things that they give up in order to have this consolidation?