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dealing with changing restrictions on several officers, state officials, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, and the Attorney General, and this, in the bill that we passed last year, or resolution, and this would allow the residency laws to be changed for those on the court. The residency restrictions have been in place since 1867 and, at the time it certainly was a necessary...because of the transportation, it was a necessary requirement that these individuals live within the area so that they could come and go from their offices and do the work of the state. But with the interstate system, that certainly has changed. It will not change for a lot of the Supreme Court members, depending on where they reside in the state, since they will still have the responsibilities of being in their office five days a week. The...we also left the language in the...the language in that requires that these...that the office...their office should...shall remain in the Capitol, in the location where the Capitol is located, Lincoln, and this would be in contrast to what we do with the Court of Appeals, where a Court of Appeal judge can live in a portion of the state and have their office in that portion of the state. We felt...at least I felt, as well as the court felt, that the individual should continue to have their offices in the Capitol, and so that has not been touched. I would be happy to answer any questions. I believe we have a small committee amendment and then we'll move on to the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Senator, would you like to open on the committee amendments? It will be Senator Brashear to open on the committee amendments. (See Standing Committee amendment, AM2871, on page 428 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Madam President, members of the body, this is the...your Judiciary Committee at work. We noted that after Senator Abboud completed his craftsmanship of his bill that he, who is a lawyer, and he, who is leaving the body, and he would then theoretically be eligible for appointment to the Supreme Court of the great state of Nebraska, had very skillfully crafted the bill in such a manner that the justices of the Supreme Court of the state of Nebraska, if you adopted his bill, could then live anywhere in the world. And so your Judiciary