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or has the most amount of influence into who his vice presidential candidate shall be. And then, secondly of all, I think maybe I have a different opinion about partisan legislature but I think it is a way to have more people involvement because I think it is through a partisan structure, only the partisan structure, not the party, that we can have people involvement.

SPEAKER: All right. We are still on the Waldron amendment. Senator Stromer, did you wish to be heard on the proposed amendment?

SENATOR STROMER: Yes. Mr. President, I would just say that I think it's a good idea. If we have any questions later, we can always bracket this on Select File, so I would move the previous question, or call for the question and I think we should adopt the Waldron amendment.

SPEAKER: Does the chair see five hands? Thank you, the question is shall the debate now close. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. Voting on the previous question. Motion under debate is the Waldron amendment to LB 174. Have you all voted? The clerk will record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 1 nay, 19 not voting.

SPEAKER: The debate will now close. Senator Waldron is now closing on his amendment to LB 174 and the chair recognizes Senator Waldron.

SENATOR WALDRON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I think it has been pointed out quite clearly the advantages of this system, having the Primary close to the General Election in the non-presidential year. I wish we could do it in all years but that would be impossible because of the presidential all-star primary that we have in Nebraska and almost every other state has now. And if we were to do it in a Presidential year it would cost..it takes more money to have two elections which is not feasible from a cost standpoint, but in the non-presidential years there is absolutely no reason not to do it this way. I think the public would greatly appreciate it as has been pointed out here and I hope we would adopt this amendment.

SPEAKER: The question is shall the Waldron amendment be adopted. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. Voting on the adoption of the Waldron amendment, It requires a simple majority. Have you all voted? The clerk will record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 7 nays, 12 not voting.

SPEAKER: The amendment is adopted. Are there other amendments on the desk.

CLERK: Read.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, members of the body, the intention of the \$100 filing fee is to do away with the tremendous work that will be caused in the counting of the ballots for John Jones, etc. etc. A serious candidate for such an office should gladly contribute the \$100.

SPEAKER: You have heard the motion. Senator Stromer.

SENATOR STROMER: Yes., Would Senator Kelly yield to a question?

SPEAKER: Senator Kelly, will you yield?

SENATOR KELLY: Yes.