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what the committee amendment does and I would move the adoption of the committee amendment.

SPEAKER: Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Well, Senator Goodrich, annexation is probably one of the furthest things from my mind. The thing I'm wondering is why just a metropolitan city because we do have Harrison Street which we are all speaking about. We do have--am I on--We do have Ralston who has a common boundary with Sarpy County on Harrison Street which might need the same controls, same ability to go in and negotiate with the County and decide the street, we also come right on out and we find that Millard has a couple of miles. What is the object of just having the metropolitan, why not cities and even the county?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Well, shouldn't we go ahead, Orval, and adopt the committee amendments so that we know the form we got the bill in so then I can go ahead and explain the bill itself because we adopt the amendment first and then we know the form and then we'll go ahead and move the bill and I'll explain it.

SPEAKER: Senator Mahoney has ask to be recognized. Actually, we have before us just the committee amendment and that's really what is under discussion at this time. Senator Lewis, do you want to discuss the committee amendment? O.K. Chair recognizes Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. In response to Senator Keyes' inquiry, I might mention that as a member of the committee when concern, the problem was expressed by the county officials of Sarpy, city manager of La Vista, city manager of Bellevue, I never doubted the intent of what Senator Goodrich was attempting to do but sometimes there is assurance in words and so I asked the committee if it would be satisfactory with them for us to draft an amendment to make it specifically directed to the fact that annexation would be precluded. They agreed to that. I asked the City Attorney of Bellevue to draft a portion of the amendment that you see, he did. It was satisfactory to the cities, to the counties, it was satisfactory to the committees. Some of the changes that are proposed in the bill will take care of some of the problems that Senator Keyes is concerned, if you'll read the amendments very carefully, metropolitan classes are excluded. I'll not steal any of Senator Goodrich's material, but I certainly think the amendments make this a satisfactory bill.

SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion of the amendment. Senator Whitney, do you want to discuss the amendment?

SENATOR WHITNEY: I just read the amendment for the first time and in answer to Senator Keyes, it seems to me that the purpose of this amendment is to require that this pertain to all cities in the State and the reason why they deleted metropolitan class is, they reinclude it when they say all cities so I think Senator Keyes, the committee amendment does exactly what you want. It puts this for any city, the governing body then of any city shall have concurrent and joint jurisdiction and so forth and so forth.

SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion of the amendment? Senator Kelly, did you wish to discuss the amendment to L.B. 171?

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President and Members of the body, would Senator Goodrich yield for a question?

SPEAKER: Senator Goodrich, would you yield?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Yes.