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that we might hold over and have an opportunity to visit. I know we are going to have quite a few on this but it just seems to me that...I didn't think this would come up till tomorrow and I want to get around and visit with some of the folks, but I am hoping that we can get together on this.

SPEAKER: Well, Senator Wiltse, what's your pleasure? Actually, I have seven people lined up to speak now on that amendment alone.

SENATOR WILTSE: Would it be possible to hold it up for two days so that they have an opportunity to get together and discuss this matter.

SPEAKER: Your motion...you are making. Senator Whitney is asking unanimous consent to bracket LB 249 on General, excuse me, on Final Reading for a couple of days, two days. Are there objections to bracketing 249 on Final Reading for two days. Any objections. Hearing none. Are there any objections. Stand up, if there are. OK. OK, the bill is bracketed. Well, that's bracketed pending a motion. Now. Stand by. Yes.

UNIDENTIFIED: Well, the motion's been pending for a week.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Carpenter. For what purpose do you rise, Senator?

SENATOR CARPENTER: To consider the motion on the clerk's desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, it would read as follows. Read.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now what this amendment does, it has no limitation as to acres in a condemnation suit. It puts it in the same category as if a school board wants to go out and buy 100 acres of land. The present law allows them now, if they can negotiate, to buy 100 acres of land. I am presuming if they needed 100 acres in the first place, they would, probably, need 100 acres as an illustration condemnation, and I don't see any good purpose by restricting what they can take by condemnation rather than what they can take by normal procedures. In every case that I know of now in condemnation, those whose land is being taken for the most part has all the advantages and I just think that if we are going to allow one we ought to allow the other. If you want to restrict 40 acres, in the normal activity of a school board, do that, but it would seem to me that the acreage ought to be the same whether they are making a direct purchase or whether they are going through the courts, for example, and condemn the land. I don't see any protection. There is nothing wrong with condemnation. It is a way of life and whether you should buy 100 and condemn only 40, I can't see the comparison.

SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion of Senator Carpenter's motion? Senator Carpenter is asking for the return of LB 252 from E & R for engrossing to Select File for specific amendment. That was the amendment which he has just explained. Is there need for further discussion of that amendment? The question is shall the bill be returned for a specific amendment. All those in favor, vote aye. All those opposed, vote no. The chair would observe that it does take 25 votes to return a bill from E & R for engrossing to Select File for a specific amendment. We are voting on Senator Carpenter's motion to LB 252. His specific amendment to LB 252. Shall the bill be returned for the specific amendment? Now, Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I don't want to delay this body by something we could do one way or the other within a reasonable time. There is 32 members here, for example, most not even voting. Now, either vote it up or vote it down. It's not an earthshaking thing. It's either good or it's bad or it's questionable. I'm not trying to lecture the body, but for heaven's sake, let's vote if we are in our seats one way or