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leave anyone out and I believe the insurance companies would justify their rates to their responsibilities. Thank you.

SPEAKER: Senator DeCamp. When you are through speaking, please turn out your lights because I can't tell whether you want to speak again or not. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, and members of the Legislature, one fact that hasn't been brought out that should be brought out, I think, probably a year ago or a year and a half ago, the word "may" would have been fine except since that time there has been a Federal court decision that has come down and this Federal court decision changed the rules of the game, so to speak. This decision indicated, in fact stated that under certain circumstances the individuals were personally liable. Now up until that time, it had always been presumed whenever a lawyer filed a lawsuit on a public official that they were only suing like the township, this type of thing, or the school board. As I say, this Federal court decision, I don't have the name, I can't give you all the details, but it came down and it changed the rules of the game. Now, the weed man, as Senator Burbach brings up, let's assume he reads the law in the book and there are provisions there if somebody doesn't spray their weeds or they don't do certain things on noxious weeds, then he can go out and do it and then bill them for it. I think there is, maybe, a case before the Supreme Court right now on that. So, he goes out and he does his job and, maybe, bills them for \$1500 or \$2000 and then two weeks later, he gets in a \$40,000, \$50,000 lawsuit for ruining a flower or interfering with somebody's corn or something like that. Last year, two years ago, no problem. They sue the township. The township's got insurance. Somebody has. He's covered. But this year, they go one step farther. They sue him, personally, and that's why you have to get to the word "shall" to protect all elected officials of this type.

SPEAKER: Well, OK. Senator Luedtke.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Yes, Mr. President. I agree with Senator Carpenter's amendment. I think that it's an improvement on my bill and I say this, and, Senator Burbach, I wish you would listen for a moment. You brought up one board that I hadn't thought about and that's the airport authority. I can see, taking into consideration what Senator DeCamp just said, with the trends of the courts today what could happen to a member of an airport authority would make your...if I had any hair stand on end because of the things that could happen with regard to managing airports. Now, I think that one alone shows what could happen. Highway systems going through town, township boards have the same type of potential threat to them for making a civil liberties decision with regard to one employee in a town and I'll tell you this with the way the courts are going and this question alone, I think every public servant elected to every board in the state of Nebraska ought to want some coverage and I think "shall" would see to it that they are protected.

SPEAKER: Well, we still have the Carpenter amendment. Now, Senator Proud, did you wish to speak on the amendment? Then we have Senator Murphy. Let's see, Senator Epke, apparently, wants to be recognized again.

SENATOR PROUD: I'd like to ask Senator Luedtke a question. Senator, I haven't fully studied this but what about an employee accidentally or negligently kill somebody.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: This does not apply to an employee.

SENATOR PROUD: Is he covered? Well, a member of a board, then.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: A member of a board kill somebody.

SENATOR PROUD: Well, whoever this is suppose to cover.