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have their way and then maybe jeopardize the bill. I don't care if Lincoln wants one and we can do it, let them have it. Now 581 up there is on E & R for Initial. Now that bill can be used to amend the matter that's set up in 259 in the Governor's bill pertaining only to junior colleges and technical schools and I have a motion up there to hold 581 on Select File until we find out for sure whether we're going to have to amend by indirection those things which are now covered in 259. Now all I'm saying, I hope we people, we've had weeks and months in order to attempt to compromise our feelings and our judgment in order to get this bill passed. I would hope somewhere along the line that we would do the realistic thing and not be so adamant about local control and the economical operation of the district

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and the saving of money because, my friend, that depends on the individuals who are going to run it and they are not all alike, they're not the same and you're just not going to accomplish the reasons you're giving in order to try to have your way. Now if you can have your way, I'm for it but not to the point of destroying this bill and not to the point, maybe we won't get anything passed because we're going to be in a horrible position unless we can agree on something that's acceptable, legal and workable.

SPEAKER: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President, I just have a question of Senator Stahmer. Would you yield?

SENATOR STAHMER: Yes sir.

SENATOR BARNETT: My concern is that, I guess either they didn't read the amendment well enough or you didn't explain it well enough but the way I understood it you're going to dispose of two districts, namely Omaha and Lincoln and I appreciate your concern for Lincoln. I would rather you just be more concerned with Omaha in this area because I wasn't going to tell you how to do yours in Omaha. I would like for you to tell us what you propose to do with the six districts, where does Lincoln go and I don't care about Omaha. Just tell me where Lincoln goes.

SENATOR STAHMER: Basically it would be the same as the bill that came out of committee with five areas with the difference, it would allow the panhandle and the second area to the west to be separate.

SENATOR BARNETT: It would be the same bill as in...

SENATOR STAHMER: That was voted out of committee, it was five areas...

SENATOR BARNETT: Okay, 533.

SENATOR STAHMER: Right, as it was voted out of committee except that it would allow for the separate school in the Panhandle area and if I'm wrong, Senator, you can correct me. It was my understanding Lincoln school board did vote that their first choice was to have one area in the Southeast, namely the Lincoln and all the southeast counties combined. If I'm wrong why you can correct me.

SENATOR BARNETT: Well, I don't really know as to what they did vote. They voted several times so I can't tell you what they done.