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own schools. It's not our local prerogative. It's the prerogative of 49 members of this Legislature and I know that each and every one of you will follow Senator Proud's suggestion to vote your best judgement and do what will give us the best education in Nebraska.

PRESIDENT: The chair recognizes Senator Simpson and then Senator Nore.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I to support Senator Chambers motion on the override on 217. I've been disturbed the last little bit to hear from some of Omaha's Senators that they had frivolously introduced bills. That they are now using them as a form of blackmail if you vote to override we're going to hang in there with them and force it on you. If you do not override then we're going to withdraw these bills. My feeling if they put bills in they ought each go there own merit. I personally have told these people who have introduced the bills I will support them because I believe in the concept of district elections. This has no bearing on the way we were quoted in the Lincoln Journal saying that we did not think we had good people on our Lincoln school board now. We just so happen to have people from all over the city on at the present time. But this does not mean that at the next election that this will happen again. We are very happy to have these people now. And with this they could continue. Hopefully the majority of the members of this Legislature would be for this bill and also would be for the Omaha bill which would not let them withdraw them. Bring them out, put them on their own merits

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vote for them and pass them.

PRESIDENT: The next to speak is Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members I would have to vote to override the Governor because I think I'm voting with him when he says he's in favor of district elections so this is a start. So let's vote that way.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion now of the motion. Senator Chambers do you care to close on your motion. All right, the question is, Shall the bill be passed. Shall LB 217 be passed notwithstanding the objection of the Governor? All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. The question is, Shall the bill be passed notwithstanding the objections of the Governor? Have you all voted? All right, Senator Carpenter for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CARPENTER: How many of the Senators have been excused?

CLERK: There are two Senators absent.

SENATOR CARPENTER: two, are there three for example not voting.

PRESIDENT: That's the chairs understanding.