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the billdrafters office said there were a couple of things that needed to be changed for clarity. Mr. President, now I would like to make my remarks on this particular piece of legislation. First of all I would like to preface it by saying that I am not on the bill particularly. That bill comes from the Business and Labor Committee and those that come forward can justify the bill. There are some things that are unacceptable and the bill from my perspective now and if those things are not removed, it is my intention, Mr. President, to put the kill motion on this piece of legislation. The amendment contains three things. First of all, it strikes the University of Nebraska from the bill. The University of Nebraska faculty or no one else asked to be in the bill and that was substantively put in. I think the issue ought to be a little more clear than that and I think you ought to get the University out. Secondly, the specific language in determining the bargaining units, again, that is not, I think, a legislative responsibility to say where that the chairman of the English Department at Midplains for example, Senator Rumery, is included in the unit. That is a judgment to be made along the line. I would ask for that to be struck. Thirdly, historically certified personnel and noncertified personnel have bargained separately. This is exactly true in the schools system, Senator Hefner, that the teachers have a unit and they bargain from their perspective. The custodians have a unit and they bargain from theirs. Those are the three provisions of the bill. One, get the University out; two, eliminate reference to what the unit is; and, three, separate the certified from the classified personnel. I ask for the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the Lewis amendment which is before you to LB 108. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Motion is the adoption of the Lewis amendment as explained. Have you all voted? Have you all voted?

SENATOR LEWIS: Mr. President...

SPEAKER MARVEL: Clerk, record the vote.

SENATOR LEWIS: Very nice to talk to you.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 6 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried and the amendment