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putting them in the welfare business, and that can be argued either way, but I see that's what we're doing with the direction of this bill. So I strongly urge that we not cloud this up any, but let's vote Senator Warner's amendment down and then let's make a decision on the bill up or down.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I rise to support Senator Warner's proposal. Those of us who lived in this state for any length of time, I think the proposal or the amendment is prescriptive enough for us to know what it's about. He says a village that owns its own utility. In those cases they virtually know everyone in that community. They're either relatives or very good friends, and certainly as long as there is a due process being followed and there is that in that amendment, I believe this body would understand and agree that it's proper. Senator Dworak talks about class legislation. This legislative body has been doing this historically over the years. That's why we call certain kinds of communities villages, second class cities, first class, primary and metropolitan, etc. So we're not passing class legislation. We're recognizing the unique differences of the diversity of the State of Nebraska. Therefore, I think it's a reasonable amendment and I would hope the body would support it.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Warner, we're ready to take a vote on your amendment. Do you have any other comments in closing?

SENATOR WARNER: Well, only Mr. President, I would repeat that the provisions here is the seven day notice in writing is still required, but prior to discontinuance of service the municipal or the village board shall provide a conference with the individual upon their request. They shall provide and have previously adopted written procedure on which this conference will be held. They have to give again notification for the time and place. I think the intent is here, but it's probably...it's a more obviously a more simplified one, but I think one which is adequate and appropriate for communities of this size.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is on the adoption of the Warner amendment to LB 143. All those in favor of that amendment vote aye, opposed no. Voting on the Warner amendment to LB 143. Have you all voted? Record.