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Beutler, wouldn't that be contrary to the Nebraska Constitution because it states it shall be read at large? We would be violating the Constitution if we didn't. The bill wouldn't be valid if we didn't read it at large.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I am sorry, I misspoke perhaps. Our amendment would be in the form of a constitutional amendment.

SENATOR MARESH: Oh, I see. I would like to speak against this bill because I think the people have spoken over and over rejecting this amendment to the Constitution and we would just be aggravating the public by placing this on the ballot again thinking that they didn't know what they were doing the last time they voted on this. So I think we should reject this bill in its entirety.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Reutzel, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR REUTZEL: A point of order, were we not speaking to the amendment?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Yes, the Chair is in error. We were speaking to the amendment. I have two lights on, Senator Beutler and Senator Kahle now. Senator Kahle, do you wish to speak to the Reutzel amendment to the bill? Mr. Clerk, do you want to read the Reutzel amendment again?

CLERK: Reread Reutzel amendment found on page 145, Legislative Journal.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker, could I ask Senator Reutzel a question? Are you moving it from the primary to the general election, is that what you are doing? Well, I hate to go against my colleague, Senator Maresh, here but I do feel that the reading of the bills before us is a joke and that most of the people that I have talked to in my district feel that that is a waste of time and I am sure the school kids that come here to watch and happen to hit the Final Reading part of our session are completely disillusioned with us. So I, for one, would like to see it put on the ballot again with some information to our people by us, at least, as to how stupid it really is. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are speaking to your amendment. Okay, is there any other discussion on the Reutzel amendment to LB 436? All those...do you wish to close? The motion is