

argue with that. It is like owning an elephant gun in Bellevue, Nebraska, and because there is no elephants around obviously the gun is successful. The people of this state have good judgment and I trust their good judgment and the people of this state, by the way, have the constitutional right to say, no limits, and you will live with them. I think it is hypocritical. I think it is ridiculous. I think it is assinine to suggest if we do something it is going to change the voters' mind on what he ought to do. The voter ought to do exactly what he wants to do. He ought to set the guidelines. He ought to set the parameters and if it is 0% that is what it is. If it is 1% that is what it is but don't come down here and try to fool them, Senator Maresh, by saying, I am a strong supporter of the lid bill with the following exceptions and don't come in, Senator Simon, and say the same thing and, Senator Burrows, don't you do it either. Either you do or you don't. You will or you won't, but you can't say I am going to do it except in these specified positions that take care of me. I think the issue is time to be aired. There are people running up and down the state and threatening this Legislature that if such and such is not done, we are going to take it to the people. I believe the members of this Legislature are closer to the people than those unelected self-appointed, self-appointed leaders in terms of economics, some of whom are retired on pensions which they didn't contribute to and that is an aside matter. Now, Mr. President, the issue here is a simple one and we have been deceived before. The special session, those who strongly supported local government couldn't wait to get to the front...

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have thirty seconds.

SENATOR LEWIS: ...to vote yes. I think Senator DeCamp has laid the issue out clearly. It is yes or no, but don't try to rationale on yes for you and maybe for me.

SPEAKER MARVEL: As a guest of the State of Nebraska from South Dakota underneath the South balcony, it is my privilege to introduce Senator Harold Halverson. Will you please stand so we may welcome you. Senator Newell, do you want to close this particular debate?

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes, I would just like to support the DeCamp amendment. I would like to support the DeCamp amendment with the hopes that with this amendment on, the Keyes amendment will fail. What this committee, the Revenue Committee, has tried to do with this proposal is try to work out and make the lid workable. Now there is a lot of problems with lids. I don't think the lid should live forever, but I think this is a