

They can't control zoning commissions and those of you who want to talk about all the issues involving the Omaha election, there is more than one. It wasn't just property taxes, Senator Burrows. It was the yellow bus issue. It was a character and personality issue. It was a whole bunch of things. There again, we are guilty of oversimplification of a very complex issue. Mr. Chairman, members of this body, don't accept three years. That is folly because once those people live under three years they will never catch up and the people won't catch up or the boys and girls and I will say that again and I will say it loud and clear from the rooftops. If you had a grandson or a granddaughter going to that school I am sure you would be looking for other places if you had any respect for education whatsoever. If you expect education to offer every opportunity available for a youngster to develop their talents you wouldn't want anything cut, particularly if they played a saxophone or a bassoon or a violin or they sang nicely like the Scarlet and Cream did last night. Weren't you proud of those young people? Weren't you proud from where they came from, Scottsbluff, Gothenburg, North Platte, Omaha Westside, you name it and we all stood there and we stood and applauded them for their efforts but there again that is a hypocrisy which we often demonstrate. The old saying goes, "I'd sooner see a sermon anytime than listen to one." I oppose the Kelly amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

SPEAKER MARVEL: Is Senator Schmit here? Okay, we will go with...Senator Murphy, do you want to speak to the Kelly amendment to the Burrows amendment?

SENATOR MURPHY: To the Kelly amendment, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay.

SENATOR MURPHY: I think Senator Kelly has pointed out truly a reasonable limitation that would keep us from a very unreasonable situation with a one year self-destruct. Most of our subdivisions of government, their governing boards can hold their breath longer than that. To say that a one year limitation means anything is to deny the fact of the very procedures it takes to create that change in budget. Three years should be an absolute minimum. I personally prefer the original concept of the bill that when those people feel there is a sufficient cause to remove the limitation that they felt driven to impose, that they should then do it but to say that it will self-destruct in one year and they can start over again, to say the least, is a farce.