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LB 924, LB 346

CLERK: Senator Fowler moves to return LB 924 so as to remove Lancaster County from the effects of the Stoney amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: Yes. Mr. President, as often happens in this body, when an Omaha political fight breaks out Lancaster County somehow gets caught in the web. I don't really agree with the philosophy of the Stoney amendment to limit qualifications for candidates so that the people have fewer people to choose from or there are fewer eligible people to run for office. If Senator Newell is going to do further research as a fact what sort of skills are asked in our State Highway Department or other highway departments, I would be glad to withdraw this amendment, but I know there is only six of us from Lancaster County in the Legislature against the Douglas County thirteen. But I humbly ask Douglas County to kind of consider when they sweep Lancaster County into their political fights to consider the impact. I will withdraw that motion right now, but I hope that, in fact, we could open the availability of candidates up further rather than narrow it.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, 346. LB 346 is the next one.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Johnson moves to return LB 346 to Select File for a specific amendment. The amendment is referred to on page 1515. You will find it in your bill books in front of the green copy of the bill. It is request 2270.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I have passed out to you in the last ten minutes prior to the flurry of amendments on the last bill a sheet...looks like this, a sheet that explains precisely what this amendment does. Earlier this session, in fact on March 6, 1980, we passed LB 621. LB 621 brought a uniform commercial code up to the latest revisions, the latest revisions of the 1972 revisions. In passing LB 621 we inadvertently included within LB 621 an error. You will find the error carefully discussed in paragraph 2 of your material. Lawyers who are very nervous about a lot of things have found this error and have concluded that they will not know exactly where to file financing statements because of the conflicting language. Therefore, we are taking LB 346 which is another bill involving the uniform commercial code and what we are doing very simply is we are with this amendment striking from LB 621 the material relating to place of filing.