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compromise of 10 percent of the registered voters to initiate the petition as it affects local option lids. The second part of the amendment offers a two-year provision for lids. It also offers the governing board, whoever that might be, county commissioners, school boards, city council and mayor, after one year of the lid to place before the people in a general, primary or special election the provision of whether they shall keep the lid or whether they should abrogate the lid, and that would be an option of the governing board to do this by a majority of that board. I believe that there are several members of this body who indicated to me that we should at least show two years as being somewhat of a limitation, but I believe it is also proper for the governing board to place it to a vote of the people again if they feel that the severe limitations of the lid are jeopardizing certain programs whatever those might be. I ask for the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, there is a pending motion by Senator Koch. Senator Lamb, do you wish to amend the Koch amendment?

SENATOR LAMB: Yes. First, Mr. President, I would like to ask Senator Koch a question, if I may.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Koch, do you yield?

SENATOR KOCH: Yes.

SENATOR LAMB: It's my understanding that your amendment provides for a two-year lid. Is that right?

SENATOR KOCH: Says two-year lid, and then the board, whoever that might be, whoever the elected officials are place it to a vote of the people one of three ways, either general, primary or by special election....

SENATOR LAMB: Okay, what....

SENATOR KOCH: ...at least 120 days prior to the fiscal year.

SENATOR LAMB: My other question is, what happens in the case of the lids that are already in place such as Omaha and Nebraska City? Your amendment will in effect make a one-year lid on those two....

SENATOR KOCH: That's correct, they are still in the bill as being grandfathered under those conditions. This is for