

eliminating or we are allowing the local tax option lid to be off in two years, it seems ludicrous to me that we would allow a special election within a one year, within the first year period. I want to remind you particularly in the City of Omaha it costs \$200,000 to have a special election. We have some kind of an election every year. There is no year without an election and I think that we need to look at what the local tax option is doing is trying to save money, it is trying to conserve and then we encourage a special election which, in my opinion, would be a great waste of any money that would be conserved. I urge your adoption of this amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, I think that Senator Pirsch is offering a friendly amendment. I haven't had a chance to really look at that but I understand what she is trying to say, is that special elections in large communities do indeed cost considerable dollars and it would appear to me that if the boards, whoever they might be, the elected officials, if they want to put it to a vote of the people they should by either the primary or the general have sufficient knowledge to whether or not they want to go to a vote of the people to repeal the action initiated by a former petition. So, Mr. Speaker, I would accept Senator Pirsch's amendment as a proper amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, as cointroducer of LB 17 I would agree that the amendment is a friendly amendment and I have no objection either. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the Pirsch amendment to LB 17. All those in favor of that motion... Senator Pirsch, do you wish to close? Okay. All in favor of that amendment vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? The motion before the House is the adoption of the Pirsch amendment to LB 17. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Pirsch's amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion is carried. The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.