

legislation for one public service commissioner. I had my light on to speak but the question was called for before I had an opportunity to talk. I supported the Hefner amendment and I ask for reconsideration of the corrected amendment. As far as the lobbying, I am not asking this for Mr. Simpson. I am asking this for my personal wishes in this matter. I was never contacted by Mr. Simpson at any time and have not been contacted up to this time. I have not been lobbied by anyone other than my constituents that called me yesterday morning. In fact, I have been ignored. I was not asked about the change even though it involved about two-thirds of my legislative district. I am asking that this be reconsidered and that the Hefner amendment, in effect, be adopted because the individuals in my district, in Nemaha and Richardson County, have had good working relationship with the commission. They feel the First District would be more responsive to their problems than the Fourth District. I think if you will look at the map you can see that the Fourth District is a rather painfully distorted district. While the Hefner amendment does make a much more compact district out of both four and one and it does not change as many counties as LB 551, we would like to remain in the First District because of the proximity of the Nemaha and Richardson Counties to the other counties in the First District and the great distance in some of the other counties. We also have had historical ties in the past. Nemaha and Richardson County have been historically tied to districts involving Otoe and Cass County in that area. I think it would make a much better district. The lines would be drawn on a much more compact basis and I urge you to vote to return this bill for an amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Fitzgerald.

SENATOR FITZGERALD: Mr. Speaker, I oppose it. I thought we had this settled. Could I ask you a question, sir? Mr. Clark, could I ask you a question?

SENATOR CLARK: Yes.

SENATOR FITZGERALD: I brought up this issue on the three miles and six miles to Senator Hefner. I asked him what we were voting and I wanted a proper amendment to vote on and it was six miles and he changed it to three. Now, Pat, did we get the corrected amendment up there when we were voting or were we voting in error?

SENATOR CLARK: No, this is three miles. This is a reconsideration.

SENATOR FITZGERALD: From six miles to three miles is the consideration?