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LB 835. All those in favor say aye. Opposed. The bill is advanced. LB 688.

CLERK: Mr. President....

SENATOR CLARK: Do they want to take that up tonight?

CLERK: Senator Fowler or Wesely, do you want to take this up? Okay. Mr. President, I have no E & R amendments. I do have an amendment, however, from....the first amendment - I have is from Senators Beutler, Landis, Fowler and Wesely. It is on page 1246 of the Journal.

SENATOR CLARK: Who wants to take the amendment? Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: Mr. President, this is an amendment that... the bill deals with school district election in Lincoln. This is an amendment that puts in language that had been given to Senator Beutler to be introduced in the Education Committee but the amendment was not properly drawn then. When the bill got to General File we only had a 15 minute debate time so we decided not to run the amendment then. Now that we are on Select File we had the amendment correctly drafted. I think we have time. We would like to move for adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Is there any question on the Fowler amendment? Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Senator Fowler, would you yield to a question, please?

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: Yes.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Senator Fowler, you told us a beautiful job of telling us the history of the amendment but you didn't even mention what the amendment does.

SENATOR FOWLER: Okay. Well, the amendment has been discussed in the media and so I thought maybe people were aware of it. The amendment deals with...okay, the bill says that in the City of Lincoln if you wish to switch from a large district election, there will be a petition process to make that possible. What the amendment does, it says that in order to try and resolve this question there will be an election mandated for November of this coming year to address this question as well as the option of the petition