

SENATOR LAMB: ...is that we are going to change a few words. We are going to change a few words...and I don't want any more demonstrations, please, nobody. What these lawyers are saying is, okay, this is unconstitutional, this is the amendment that we have said is going to save the attendance centers and at the hearing some of you will remember I asked Senator Vard Johnson specifically if he thought this was a constitutional amendment and he said, yes. Now he says, well, there are a few wrong words in it, so we are going to change those words, negate your constitutional...the Attorney General's Opinion which you had a heck of a time getting and then we are going to make everything right. Now this is just some more of the power politics that we have seen in this issue ever since it began and you all are acquainted with what has happened as this...ever since this bill was introduced. Now I am going to ask you people, how many people in this Legislature are comfortable with the facts about 662? I will bet there are not any people, except three urban senators that introduced the bill which affects rural Nebraska. You are not comfortable with the facts that have been presented and I am going to suggest later or somebody else will perhaps that this thing needs more study. I am opposed to this tampering with this committee amendment. It is just a few more words so that now I have to go back to the Attorney General and get another opinion which I am confident will say the same thing. I suggest we vote down this change in the wording.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, there are no other lights and we will vote on this. Incidentally, ladies and gentlemen in the gallery, we are happy to have you with us, but we do not allow demonstration of any kind, displaying of placards or clapping, or booing or shouting, or saying Amen, or anything, so with your indulgence please refrain from doing so in the future. The question is the adoption of the amendment to the committee amendments. Senator Vickers, did you wish to close?

SENATOR VICKERS: Very briefly, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Oh, pardon me.

SENATOR VICKERS: I would like to just reiterate what I said earlier. If we expect this mechanism to work and, quite frankly, I do, we need to make some word changes in it so