

it better. But I think it at least gives the Governor a direction. You know, he can choose a realtor, he can choose a surveyor, he can choose somebody at least that has some knowledge in real estate transactions. For those of you who are not at all familiar with this particular area, of course, abstracting has to do with gathering information from the courthouse, information that is used to facilitate and actually make possible real estate transactions. So they are gathering information that deals with the transfer of real estate. And it is crucial that everybody involved in the whole real estate transaction from abstracters to realtors, all those people have some knowledge of how real estate works. So that is the thrust of this particular amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, I have got a temptation to oppose this amendment and I guess I think the abstracters and the people that put together the bill are opposed to it. But it brings up an interesting concept and I want you to think about this. We are creating a board that is going to look at a particular area of the law and we are going to put on there people knowledgeable in the field, abstracters themselves, so on, and then we are going to put on one lay person, one person from the public. And I guess the whole idea of that in dealing with one area of the law is to have somebody that "has no potential or any other form of conflict of interest". In other words, to find somebody who has no conflict, we have got to find somebody who knows nothing about it. And, Senator Beutler kind of reasonably so says, well, look, if we are going to have a board and we are going to deal with the subject, maybe we should make sure at least the person, even the lay person from the public has some knowledge of real estate or something since they are going to be making decisions here. So I would just, as I say, throw that out as food for thought. Do we want people who know something about the subject they are dealing with, or do we want completely, totally disinterested people that know absolutely nothing about the subject but are good lay persons? In the Legislature, if you take the attitude of the Omaha World Herald, I guess you want to make sure you have people that know absolutely nothing about the subject, absolutely nothing, because they are the only people that "would have no conflict of interest", as I understand it. Senator Beutler has been