

give Senator Wesely and me an opportunity to address this serious festering problem in Omaha and Lincoln to equalize the NRD districts out in those two cities so we can do away with this great disparity we have right now. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, it's not often that a person's own words will come back to haunt him so soon. This bill is going to take a lot of time to discuss. If you look to the left of the Speaker on that blackboard you see a hundred and twenty some odd bills that still must be considered. This bill was killed in committee on a 6-0 vote. With that kind of opposition there can be no realistic chance of this bill passing the Legislature this session. We've got far too many important matters before us which are going to come through the legitimate machinery of the Legislature. If this bill comes out of committee it either becomes somebody's priority bill or it goes to the bottom of General File. Look how much time you wasted on it this morning already. The committee system has decided what to do. If the strongest argument against my bill that Senator Hoagland made was that it takes time, yet it came out of committee on the floor in the due course of events, you certainly ought to continue to follow Senator Hoagland's lead on this bill and think of the amount of time it is going to take, the demonstrated opposition to it, the lack of likelihood that it will pass and then do what you think is appropriate.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Beutler, then Senator Beyer.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I'd like to speak in favor of raising the bill from committee and I know that despite his speech that Senator Chambers is going to do the right thing and vote to raise it out of committee nonetheless. And the reason that it should be raised out of committee is simply because the Legislature is refusing time after time to address what is a blatantly unfair situation. Speaking for my own Lower Platte South NRD, the discrepancy between subdistricts there range from five thousand some in one district to thirty-six thousand some in one Lincoln district and the discrepancies between the other districts are just about as great. It is a totally unfair situation and Senator Sieck says, what