

is actually using that...part of that period for which is now contemplated for voluntary consolidations between now and 1989 and we are just taking part of that time and using it for study, for a lawsuit to determine the constitutionality of our election provisions, and for the coming up with any additional changes or implementation procedures that would make the achievement of this goal less painful for people. This moves us through the oncoming legislative session. It means then that you could change and add and make additional kinds of fine tuning adjustments that were necessary to address real problems of administration or whatever, but at the same time, we would have already faced up to the goal and that would have been passed into law this year. Several different reasons why that is necessary. Number one, it accomplishes the declaration of policy that we need to make in 662. Secondly, it allows us some additional time to make fine tuning adjustments as they appear. Third, it allows us to check out the constitutionality of the election procedures and make a knowing and informed choice next legislative session how we want to respond to that. I am confident, because of the South Dakota experience, that it will be upheld. Lastly, we need to remember that public policy making in election years is very tough. It is hard because motives get mixed and we lift our eyes from the horizon and put it right back on the immediate and there is a very heavy mixing of self-interest with public interest in those kinds of years. That is why this is the year to face up to the goal and yet leave ourselves the option to make fine tuning adjustments. My amendment would do that and for that reason I urge its adoption.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Any further discussion? Seeing no lights, the question is the adoption of the Landis amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the adoption of the Landis amendment. If you care to vote, please do so. Have you all voted? Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I would ask for a call of the house and I will accept call in votes. Should we need to, we will go to a roll call.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, the question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.