

than sending the whole board to New York City. So I think his example is exaggerated a little bit. If they do have to make a decision on the bonds, surely they can have a meeting in Nebraska, make the decision, put somebody on an airplane and send him back there with the authority to represent the board to go ahead and accept the bonds. I think that his reasons aren't very good, so let's advance the bill to Select File. Then if it turns out to be such a horrible thing that it is inclined to, we can change it then. I accept the amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Smith, Senator Jacklyn Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I rise to express my concern along with that of Senator Johnson regarding some bodies. You know I have an explicit experience of having worked with the Bicentennial Commission. They often met outside the state. They did that in conjunction with other kinds of activities that they were part of at the regional and sometimes the national level. This was to facilitate and to actually save on travel costs and to save their time. So this might be something that we need to look at a little closer before we put this in the form of all public bodies because other boards, committees, commissions and so on might be affected by this adversely. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Very well. Senator Vickers, there are a couple of other speakers. Do you want them to precede you? Senator Abboud. You want to speak now? Very well. You are entitled to. Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, members, it is unfortunate that Senator Johnson, who certainly understands the law as well as any member of this body, did not get a statute book out and look at Chapter 84 before he raised the issue of perhaps we were dealing with this amendment in some fashion that would prohibit public power districts, for example, from going out of the state to talk about bond issues. Chapter 84, I would like to read to you 84...

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.)

SENATOR VICKERS: Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to read to you Chapter 84-1408, two sections ahead of the one that we are amending. It says, "It is hereby declared to be