

those objections of yesterday, but it doesn't meet the objections of today. That is very hard to deal with and, you know, a lot of talk about how the reorganization committees are formed. Well, under the original bill, under LB 662, as originally introduced, we are giving that authority of merger to that committee. We are giving it to that committee. But now, under a system here that I am proposing, that committee is not the proper one to use. I guess it doesn't make that much sense to me. I'm try to make this bill into a bill which some people think will pass. I'm not sure that it will. If it does pass, then it doesn't wreak as much havoc out there as it would in its original form. Now my position on this bill, all along, has been that some Class I's admittedly should be closed, but not across the board. Some Class I's serve a legitimate purpose, and the bill in its present form closes those in a practical manner across the board. And so I appeal to the people in this body that this a middle ground here, that we should allow some of these Class I districts which do serve a legitimate purpose to exist. We can name any number of towns of 150 or 200 people that have a Class I district in them. Now those high school students go to various high schools, as many as three or more in the area. So if this bill passes and there is merger, then those people will split up that Class I district and go in various directions. There will not be a viable school left so there will be no alternative except to close it. I offer this other alignment, this other procedure as a possible alternative. We let the county reorganization committee stand to judge whether or not this is a viable system and I think it is a viable system. I ask that the amendment be adopted.

SPEAKER NICHOL: You have heard the closing on the Lamb amendment. The question is the adoption of the Lamb amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Actually we are returning the bill for the amendment. Record, Mr. Clerk. Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President, I would ask...I think we are on Final Reading. I would ask that everyone record their presence and then I would take call in votes.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, please record your presence. If you are here, please record your presence. Senator DeCamp, please. We are voting on the return of the bill for the Lamb amendment and Senator Lamb has authorized call in