

school district, and any other factors the county committee deems necessary. I have also added the change in here that I mentioned to you earlier that I would do. I think this is the best opportunity to help those isolated individuals out there who will be very seriously affected by this bill that I don't believe we offer any satisfactory resolution for right now. Yesterday I said some fairly nasty things about the sponsors of this bill and their lack of concern for individuals. Voting for this amendment I think will give us a good opportunity to take care of those individual concerns and so I would urge you to join me in voting on this amendment. Thank you.

**SPEAKER NICHOL:** Senator Vickers, please.

**SENATOR VICKERS:** Mr. President and members, first of all, the Scofield amendment does have some of the language in it that is in existing law now as far as request to the State Reorganization Committee is concerned, but, secondly, and probably most importantly, I thought that was the purpose for the study committee established in 662 so that there would be some things that the committee created by 662 could examine over the interim as far as the implementation of 662, realizing and recognizing that the implementation date in the bill right now is not for another year. So now Senator Scofield is saying there are going to be some hardship cases develop between now and before the bill goes into effect even though we are going to have a study looking at what those hardship cases may be. Now Senator Lamb mentioned a little bit ago about how frustrating it was from his point of view, well, it is getting a little frustrating from the other side of the aisle, too, when we agreed to create a study committee to look at the implementation mechanisms, to hold the implementation date back, and now we are suddenly told that we have got to deal with these types of hardship mechanisms that won't even actually be taking place yet. I begin to wonder what the purpose of the study committee is for if we are going to solve and resolve all the issues right here and now. I do not think it is necessary to adopt the Scofield amendment because a lot of those mechanisms are already in the law, that hardship cases can be evaluated now, but if they are not clear enough or if there is not enough criteria there, that is certainly something that the committee created by LB 662 could come in with next year and have implemented before the implementation date of 662 becomes effective. I would urge