

SENATOR DECAMP: Well, of course, the attorney for the association, Allen Peterson. His contention is that the courts at the appropriate time with the appropriate case will take that "bite" out of the apple. In other words, the bite out of the law when it's time, but it's not time until the case is taken to the courts and they know that is going to happen eventually, but in the meantime as I understand it, they want the law to purport to say otherwise.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Were there a law on the books that the media felt was unconstitutional, they would be the ones castigating the Legislature for irresponsibly allowing an unconstitutional provision to stay in effect when the Legislature was in session and could make a correction. I think there is merit to what can be developed through a discussion of LE 231.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I hope that some of you who voted against bringing the bill out here will reconsider. There are important matters to be discussed and I don't mean just saying that I didn't like the way they wrote about something that I did or said or failed to report it at all. That goes with the territory and they are allowed to be selective. We wish they wouldn't be, but they are allowed to be and that has nothing to do with the issues that I would raise, although I might discuss them. But when you can see that there might be a law on the books which denies certain people constitutional rights and guarantees, that law ought to be scrutinized by the entire Legislature. So I hope that you will vote to bring this bill to the floor.

PRESIDENT: The Chair would like to make a couple of announcements. Senator Remmers has guests, 24 seventh and eighth graders from Sacred Heart School of Falls City with their teacher along with them. They are in the north balcony. And in the south balcony Senator Nelson has 63 fourth grade students from Howard School in Grand Island accompanied by two teachers, and if you'd all stand, we'd recognize you and thank you for coming to the Nebraska Legislature. Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Are there any other lights on, Mr. President?