

all of a sudden the 633 points becomes 315 points. Now look down at the bottom of the scale. Where is a workload of 315 points? It is off the scale for the lowest work load so clearly what we did was solved an overworking problem by creating a gross inefficiency out there in the 16th District, and they are so embarrassed by it, they are so embarrassed by it that we had a little bill this year, you might remember it, 287, came in to adjust district boundary lines, the first time in the modern history of the Legislature that somebody has come in to adjust boundary lines. I suggest to you it doesn't happen except when the Judiciary Committee is looking over their shoulder. In any event, that demonstrates one of the basic flaws of the legislative process, of the Legislature doing this first, the fact that we don't have any halfway remedies. We had to add a whole new judge when maybe all we needed, and in this case if you look at the point system, all we needed was maybe a half a judge or a fourth of a judge but that is not what happened. Okay, when that was suggested, I suggested, well, let's look at Richardson County down in District #1. Now look at Richardson County on your map on the front. That is Richardson, District #1, Richardson, Pawnee Johnson and Nemaha. Now turn over that Exhibit E again and look at those judicial statistics. Number one...

SPEAKER NICHOL PRESIDING

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SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, I will get back to Richardson County because I want to show you how the process has actually worked to our detriment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, Mr. President and members, well, my response to Senator Beutler is that it doesn't need to work that way. You do not have to have another judge in a district and then divide the workload by two. The Judiciary Committee could go out there and make a determination as to how the boundaries should be changed. If you need another judge, you rearrange those boundaries so that that judge does have the proper workload. But you keep the authority within the Legislature. Now if the Judiciary Committee doesn't have the time to do that, and I can see how they would not, then Senator Beutler has proposed a system here