

committee amendments at this point, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion is to adopt the committee amendments which is debatable. Senator Remmers, do you wish to speak on this? Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Well, I just wanted to tell all of you which I think you are already aware of what you are doing here with the committee amendments as amended by Senator Beutler's amendment. The Legislature will step out of judicial redistricting. It will have a commission headed by two members, one...the Supreme court, two members of the Supreme Court, other judges, some lawyers, a couple of lay people to do it. If you want to give them that authority, I guess that is what you want to do. But I don't think we want to do it. We have demonstrated this year that we can change and do change judicial districts. We should do it on our own. We should not give up that authority. I ask that the committee amendments be rejected.

PRESIDENT: Senator Beutler, go ahead.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, the bill in its green copy is in totally unacceptable form to any segment of the public and so I would ask you to be sure and adopt the committee amendments and then at that point in time if you think there are suggestions you would like to make, how we can deal with those suggestions, and I hope that you see enough value in the bill that you think that something should be done and that it should be changed, and I am flexible in my attitude and I would be glad to accept suggestions from all of you as to how it could be modified to improve it. But in order to get to that point where we deal with the problem, we need to adopt the committee amendments because the green copy of the bill is nobody's idea of what should be done. We have made two major compromises. We compromised the structure of the district and we have compromised with regard to taking away authority from the Supreme Court alone and putting it in the commission that is not controlled by the Supreme Court. And I think that it is a system that is pretty close to being what everybody could accept. I accept it completely. I would rather have the Supreme Court perform its administrative function, but at least what we would have with the committee amendments should be very close to being an acceptable proposal and I would be glad to listen to all